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1999 - FALL ATHLETIC SCHEDULE - 1999

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

Field Hockey (G V)	Cushing (Scrimmage)	(A)	4:00
Soccer (B V)	NOBLE & GREENOUGH	(H)	4:00
Soccer (G V)	Brooks (Scrimmage)	(A)	4:00
Volleyball (G V)	St. Paul's (Scrimmage)	(A)	3:15

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

Football (B V)	Cushing (Scrimmage)	(A)	3:00
Soccer (B V)	B.B. & N. (Scrimmage)	(A)	2:00
Soccer (G V)	Milton (Scrimmage)	(A)	2:00
Volleyball (G V)	GR. LAW. TECHNICAL HIGH	(H)	1:00
Volleyball (G JV)	GR. LAW. TECHNICAL HIGH	(H)	1:00
Water Polo (B V)	Loomis/N.M.H./Hopkins	(A)	3:00
Water Polo (G V)	LOOMIS	(H)	3:30

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

Cross Country (G V)	BROOKS (Scrimmage)	(H)	3:30
Field Hockey (G V)	MILTON	(H)	3:00
Field Hockey (G JV1)	MILTON	(H)	4:30
Soccer (B V)	Brooks (Scrimmage)	(A)	3:00
Soccer (B JV1)	Milton	(A)	3:15
Soccer (G V)	ST. MARK'S (Scrimmage)	(H)	3:00
Soccer (G JV1)	Bishop Guertin	(A)	3:00
Volleyball (G V)	St. Paul's	(A)	3:15
Volleyball (G JV)	St. Paul's	(A)	3:00
Water Polo (B V)	EXETER	(H)	3:00
Water Polo (JV)	EXETER	(H)	4:00

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

Cross Country (BV JV)	Manchester Invitational	(A)	12:00
Cross Country (G V)	Manchester Invitational	(A)	12:00
Field Hockey (G V)	LOOMIS-CHAFFEE	(H)	2:00
Field Hockey (G JV1)	LOOMIS-CHAFFEE	(H)	3:15
Football (B V)	LOOMIS-CHAFFEE	(H)	2:30
Football (B JV1)	LOOMIS-CHAFFEE (Scrimmage)	(H)	2:30
Soccer (B V)	LOOMIS-CHAFFEE	(H)	2:00
Soccer (B JV1)	LOOMIS-CHAFFEE	(H)	2:00
Soccer (B JV2)	LOOMIS-CHAFFEE	(H)	2:00
Soccer (G V)	LOOMIS-CHAFFEE	(H)	2:00
Soccer (G JV1)	LOOMIS-CHAFFEE	(H)	2:00
Soccer (G JV2)	LOOMIS-CHAFFEE (Scrim.)	(H)	2:00
Volleyball (G V)	LOOMIS-CHAFFEE	(H)	2:00
Volleyball (G JV)	LOOMIS-CHAFFEE	(H)	2:00
Water Polo (B V)	LOOMIS-CHAFFEE	(H)	3:00
Water Polo (G V)	LOOMIS-CHAFFEE	(H)	2:00

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

Soccer (G V)	Harvard	(A)	4:30

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

Field Hockey (G V)	Harvard	(A)	3:30
Field Hockey (G JV2)	Methuen High School	(A)	3:30
Football (B JV1)	CUSHING	(H)	3:30
Soccer (B V)	Holderness	(A)	3:30
Soccer (B JV1)	MASCONOMET	(H)	3:30
Soccer (B JV2)	Belmont Hill	(A)	2:45
Soccer (G JV1)	MASCONOMET	(H)	3:30
Soccer (G JV2)	GROTON	(H)	3:00
Volleyball (G JV)	NORTH READING HIGH	(H)	3:30
Volleyball (G V)	NORTH READING HIGH	(H)	3:30
Water Polo (B V)	ST. JOHN'S (Scrimmage)	(H)	3:30

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 1

Field Hockey (G JV2)	ANDOVER FRESHMEN	(H)	4:00
Soccer (B JV2)	GROTON	(H)	3:45
Soccer (G JV2)	BROOKS	(H)	4:15

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 2

Cross Country (BV JV)	Thetford Woods Trail Run	(A)	12:00
Cross Country (G V)	Thetford Woods Trail Run	(A)	12:00
Field Hockey (G V)	Tabor	(A)	2:30
Field Hockey (G JV1)	Tabor	(A)	3:45
Football (B V)	Hotchkiss	(A)	3:00
Soccer (B V)	Tabor	(A)	2:30
Soccer (B JV1)	Tabor	(A)	2:30
Soccer (G V)	Tabor	(A)	2:30
Soccer (G JV1)	Tabor	(A)	2:30
Volleyball (G V)	Dracut High (Scrimmage)	(A)	10:00
Volleyball (G JV)	Dracut High (Scrimmage)	(A)	10:00
Water Polo (B V)	Suffield/N.M.H	(A)	3:00
Water Polo (G V)	N.M.H.	(A)	2:00

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 6

Field Hockey (G V)	Governor Dummer	(A)	2:30
Field Hockey (G JV1)	Governor Dummer	(A)	4:00
Football (B JV1)	HYDE SCHOOL	(H)	3:30
Soccer (B V)	ST. JOHN'S	(H)	3:45
Soccer (B JV1)	ST. JOHN'S	(H)	3:45
Soccer (B JV2)	St. John's	(A)	3:15
Soccer (G V)	NOBLE & GREENOUGH	(H)	3:00
Soccer (G JV1)	NOBLE & GREENOUGH	(H)	3:00
Volleyball (G V)	Chelmsford (Scrimmage)	(A)	3:30
Volleyball (G JV)	Chelmsford (Scrimmage)	(A)	3:30

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 8

Field Hockey (G JV2)	BROOKWOOD SCHOOL	(H)	3:30

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 9

Cross Country (G V)	CHOATE	(H)	3:30
Cross Country (BV JV)	CHOATE	(H)	4:00
Field Hockey (G V)	CHOATE	(H)	3:30
Field Hockey (G JV1)	CHOATE	(H)	4:45
Football (B V)	CHOATE	(H)	3:45
Soccer (B V)	CHOATE	(H)	3:30
Soccer (B JV1)	CHOATE	(H)	3:30
Soccer (B JV2)	ANDOVER FRESH	(H)	2:00
Soccer (G V)	CHOATE	(H)	3:30
Soccer (G JV1)	CHOATE	(H)	3:30
Soccer (G JV2)	CHOATE	(H)	3:30
Volleyball (G V)	CHOATE	(H)	3:30
Volleyball (G JV)	CHOATE	(H)	3:30
Water Polo (B V)	CHOATE	(H)	4:30
Water Polo (JV)	CHOATE	(H)	2:30
Water Polo (G V)	DEERFIELD	(H)	3:30

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 13

Field Hockey (G V)	B.B. & N.	(H)	3:15
Field Hockey (G JV1)	B.B. & N	(H)	4:30
Field Hockey (G JV2)	CHELMSFORD	(H)	3:30
Football (B JV1)	NO. ANDOVER HIGH	(H)	3:00
Soccer (G V)	Middlesex	(A)	3:00
Soccer (G JV2)	Concord-Carlisle High	(A)	3:30
Soccer (B V)	BRIDGTON ACADEMY	(H)	3:30
Soccer (B JV2)	WARING SCHOOL	(H)	3:45
Soccer (G JV1)	Middlesex	(A)	3:00
Volleyball (G V)	Cushing	(A)	3:30
Volleyball (G JV)	Cushing	(A)	5:00

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 15

Field Hockey (G JV2)	METHUEN HIGH SCHOOL	(H)	3:30
Soccer (B V)	Babson	(A)	5:30
Soccer (G V)	Tufts	(A)	4:30

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 16

Cross Country (BV JV)	Thayer/SPS	(A)	2:45
Cross Country (G V)	Thayer/SPS	(A)	3:15
Field Hockey (G V)	NOBLE & GREENOUGH	(H)	6:00
Field Hockey (G JV1)	NOBLE & GREENOUGH	(H)	4:30
Football (B V)	Kent	(A)	2:30
Soccer (B JV2)	North Reading High	(A)	2:00
Soccer (G JV1)	North Reading High	(A)	2:00
Volleyball (G V)	Our Lady of Naz. Wakefield	(A)	2:15
Volleyball (G JV)	Our Lady of Naz. Wakefield	(A)	3:00
Water Polo (B V)	Williston Northhampton	(A)	4:45
Water Polo (G V)	Williston Northhampton	(A)	3:30

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 20

Field Hockey (G V)	ST. MARK'S	(H)	3:15
Soccer (B V)	HARVARD	(H)	3:15
Soccer (B JV2)	Andover Freshmen/JV	(A)	3:30
Soccer (G V)	THAYER	(H)	3:15
Soccer (G JV1)	THAYER	(H)	3:15
Soccer (G JV2)	Andover Freshmen	(A)	3:30
Volleyball (G V)	EXETER	(H)	2:30
Volleyball (G JV)	EXETER	(H)	2:30
Water Polo (B V)	ST. JOHN'S	(H)	3:30

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 22

Soccer (G V)	N.M.H.	(H)	7:00

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 23

Cross Country (BV JV)	N.M.H.	(H)	1:30
Cross Country (G V)	N.M.H.	(H)	1:30
Cross Country (G JV)	N.M.H.	(H)	1:30
Field Hockey (G V)	N.M.H.	(H)	1:30
Field Hockey (G JV1)	N.M.H.	(H)	2:45
Field Hockey (G JV2)	N.M.H.	(H)	2:00
Football (B V)	N.M.H.	(H)	1:30
Football (B JV1)	N.M.H.	(H)	2:00
Soccer (B V)	N.M.H.	(H)	1:45
Soccer (B JV1)	N.M.H.	(H)	1:45
Soccer (B JV2)	N.M.H.	(H)	1:45
Soccer (G JV1)	N.M.H.	(H)	1:45
Soccer (G JV2)	N.M.H.	(H)	1:45
Volleyball (G V)	N.M.H.	(H)	2:30
Volleyball (G JV)	N.M.H.	(H)	2:30
Water Polo (B V)	N.M.H.	(H)	1:30
Water Polo (G V)	N.M.H.	(H)	2:30

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 27

Field Hockey (G V)	St. Paul's	(A)	2:45
Field Hockey (G JV1)	St. Paul's	(A)	2:45
Field Hockey (G JV2)	Chelmsford	(A)	3:15
Soccer (B V)	Tufts	(A)	3:30
Soccer (B JV1)	ANDOVER HIGH SCHOOL	(H)	3:15
Soccer (G V)	ST. PAUL'S	(H)	3:00
Soccer (G JV1)	ST. PAUL'S	(H)	3:00
Soccer (G JV2)	Brooks	(A)	3:00
Volleyball (G V)	CUSHING	(H)	3:00
Volleyball (G JV)	WINCHENDON SCHOOL	(H)	3:00

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 30

Cross Country (BV JV)	Deerfield	(A)	2:15
Cross Country (G V)	Deerfield	(A)	1:45
Cross Country (G JV)	Deerfield	(A)	2:45
Field Hockey (G V)	Deerfield	(A)	1:30
Field Hockey (G JV1)	Deerfield	(A)	2:45
Field Hockey (G JV2)	Deerfield	(A)	1:30
Football (B V)	Deerfield	(A)	2:00
Football (B JV1)	Deerfield	(A)	1:30
Soccer (B V)	Deerfield	(A)	2:30
Soccer (B JV1)	Deerfield	(A)	2:00

Soccer (B JV2)	Deerfield	(A)	1:30
Soccer (G V)	Deerfield	(A)	2:30
Soccer (G JV1)	Deerfield	(A)	2:00
Soccer (G JV2)	Deerfield	(A)	1:30
Volleyball (G V)	Deerfield	(A)	1:30
Volleyball (G JV)	Deerfield	(A)	1:30
Water Polo (B V)	Deerfield	(A)	2:45
Water Polo (JV)	Deerfield	(A)	4:00
Water Polo (G V)	Deerfield	(A)	1:30

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 3

Field Hockey (G V)	MIDDLESEX	(H)	2:30
Field Hockey (G JV1)	MIDDLESEX	(H)	3:45
Volleyball (G V)	ST. PAUL'S	(H)	3:00
Volleyball (G JV)	ST. PAUL'S	(H)	3:00
Soccer (B V)	MOSES BROWN	(H)	3:00
Soccer (B JV1)	NORTH READING HIGH	(H)	3:00
Soccer (B JV2)	Brooks	(A)	2:45
Soccer (G V)	B.B. & N.	(A)	3:00
Soccer (G JV1)	B.B. & N.	(A)	3:00
Soccer (G JV2)	PIKE SCHOOL	(H)	3:00
Water Polo (B V)	Exeter	(A)	5:00
Water Polo (JV)	Exeter	(A)	4:00

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 5

Soccer (B V)	CUSHING	(H)	4:00

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 6

Cross Country (BV JV)	EXETER	(H)	2:30
Cross Country (G V)	EXETER	(H)	2:45
Cross Country (G JV)	EXETER	(H)	2:45
Field Hockey (G V)	PINGREE	(H)	2:00
Field Hockey (G JV1)	PINGREE	(H)	3:15
Field Hockey (G JV2)	BROOKS	(H)	1:30
Football (B V)	NEW HAMPTON	(H)	6:00
Soccer (G V)	K.U.A.	(A)	2:45
Volleyball (G V)	N.M.H.	(A)	3:15
Volleyball (G JV)	N.M.H.	(A)	3:15
Water Polo (B V)	Choate/Deer/Lawr	(A)	3:30

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 10

Field Hockey (G V)	Winsor	(A)	3:00
Field Hockey (G JV1)	EXETER	(H)	2:45
Field Hockey (G JV2)	Groton	(A)	3:00
Football (B JV1)	EXETER	(H)	2:45
Soccer (B V)	NEW HAMPTON	(H)	2:30
Soccer (B JV1)	EXETER	(H)	2:45
Soccer (G V)	Winsor	(A)	3:00
Soccer (G JV1)	EXETER	(H)	2:45
Volleyball (G V)	Worcester	(A)	3:00
Volleyball (G JV)	EXETER	(H)	2:45

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 13

Cross Country (BV JV)	Interscholastics (N.M.H.)	(A)	12:00
Cross Country (G V)	Interscholastics	(A)	12:00
Field Hockey (G V)	Exeter	(A)	12:00
Football (B V)	Exeter	(A)	1:30
Soccer (B V)	Exeter	(A)	10:30
Soccer (G V)	Exeter	(A)	12:30
Volleyball (G V)	Exeter	(A)	11:30
Water Polo (B V)	Interschols (Deerfield)	(A)	12:00
Water Polo (G V)	Loomis Tourney	(A)	2:00

CAPTAINS AND COACHES

BOYS' CROSS COUNTRY
Hunter Washburn, Captain
Jon Stableford, Coach

GIRLS' CROSS COUNTRY
Anne Abbott & Katharine Larson, Captains
Nancy Lang, Coach

FIELD HOCKEY
Christine Anneberg, Captain
Kate Dolan, Coach

FOOTBALL
Braxton Winston, Captain
Leon Modeste, Coach

BOYS' SOCCER
Oladapo Babatunde, Scott Oarci, Zachary Wang, Tri-Captains
Bill Scott, Coach

GIRLS' SOCCER
Sarah Cote & Hillary Fitzpatrick, Co-Captains
Lisa Pimentel, Coach

VOLLEYBALL
Cecile Ferrando & Nicole Salva, Co-Captains
Clyfe Beckwith, Coach

BOYS' WATER POLO
Nathaniel Moger, Captain
Scott Hoenig, Coach

GIRLS' WATER POLO
Carleigh Samson, Captain
Elizabeth Meyer, Coach

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SPORT: ~~Cross Country-Boys~~

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Letter Winners

Arensberg, Austin
Bitz, Anthony
Chan William
Delude, Phillip
Dwyer, Duncan
Fuhrman, Weston
Grant, Michael
Heighinton, Jeffrey
Jutras, Theodore
Lazarus, Eli
Phillips, Benjamin
Schoene, Adam
Sullivan, Danforth
Washburn, Hunter

Boys' Cross Country

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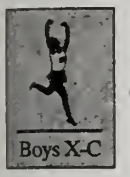
Sat. Sept. 25, 1999	(A)	Manchester Invitational	6th place	
Sat. Oct. 2, 1999	(A)	Thetford Woods Trail Run	2nd place	
Sat. Oct. 9, 1999	(A)	Choate	20	42
Sat. Oct. 16, 1999	(A)	Thayer/SPS	not reported	
Sat. Oct. 23, 1999	(H)	NMH	20	40
Sat. Oct. 30, 1999	(A)	Deerfield	25	33
Sat. Nov. 6, 1999	(H)	Exeter	18	43
Sat. Nov. 13, 1999	(A)	Interscholastics (NMH)	1st place	

BOYS' CROSS COUNTRY STRONG AT FIRST MEET

by Eli Lazarus
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER



Last Saturday the boy's cross-country team competed in the Manchester Invitational in Manchester, New Hampshire, against some of the toughest public-school running programs in the northeast. A few teams traveled up from New York state, and one even came from Idaho.

A morning downpour pummeled the 3.1 mile course and waterlogged its low spots, but by early afternoon the sun was out, the temperature was up, and the Phillips Academy boys were on a streak.

The first boys' race of the day, the Freshman 2.1 miler, belonged to Andover's own Michael Grant '03. His win, however, literally came down to the wire. Coming up the long finishing stretch, Grant had a lead of several seconds over a runner from Norwich Free Academy in second place. While the Norwich runner was speeding up, however, Grant was not. By the time he realized what was happening behind him, Grant put on just enough to clinch first place-and set a new course record of 11:36, beating the old mark by one second. "I had forgotten where the finish line was," Grant explained after the race. "I didn't remember that I still had another 150 meters to go."

On the 3.1 mile course, Adam Schoene '00 led Andover's second-seven in the boys' "B" race, setting the tone for the Blue with a fourth-place finish and a time of 17:48. "It felt good," Shoene said as he slowly unlaced his spikes and scraped the mud off his legs. "I remember passing a couple of people near the last dogleg, and then all of a sudden it was over." Coach Stableford called Shoene's performance "the race of the day."

In the boys' large-school "A" race, more than 200 runners from 27 teams lined up on a starting line longer than a football field. The Manchester course starts on a broad uphill and narrows quickly onto a paved road. After making a wide loop around a playground and set of tennis courts, the route rises up a ski hill, around a water reservoir, and back downhill to the playground. The course makes a tight turn past the starting line before heading into a 300 meter finish. It's an easy gauntlet to misgauge, but when run well can be blazing fast.

Eli Lazarus '00 led Andover's front seven around the loop of the playground before Weston Fuhrman '01 caught and passed him at the base of the ski hill. Ben Phillips '01 and captain Hunter Washburn '00 passed Lazarus and Furman at the water reservoir, and continued to gain ground down the backside of the hill. At the finish line 1000 meters later, only 50 seconds separated Andover's first and sixth runners-Washburn ran the race in 16:56, and Ted Jutras '01 in 17:46. Phillips followed Washburn in 17:05 with Fuhrman close behind in 17:17, Lazarus crossed the line in 17:37, Argilio Rodriguez '00 in 17:40, and Austin Arensburg '01 rounded out the P.A. pack in 18:27.

Their solid times and tight finishes landed the Andover boys sixth place-and only nine points out of fifth-in particularly fast competition. Coach Stableford said that he was surprised to see "eighteen runners go under 17 minutes" in the boys' large-school "A" race, but that "a terrific field of teams" had shown up this year. Stableford added that this year's P.A. front five cut "a full three minutes from last year's aggregate time for our top five finishers." (At last year's Manchester Invitational, P.A. finished eleventh.)

This Saturday the boys will head to Thetford, Vermont for the Thetford Academy Trail Run, a technical and hilly 5K in the Green Mountains. A few of the hot teams from Manchester will be there, but Coach Stableford isn't worried. "We're aiming to finish in the top two," he said.

9/25/99

10/2/99

BOYS' CROSS COUNTRY SECOND IN FIELD OF 54

by Eli Lazarus
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

In its second major invitational meet in as many weeks, the boys' cross-country team took second place in a field of 54 teams at the Woods Trail Run in Thetford, Vermont last Saturday. Nineteen members of the boys' team competed in five different seeded races against public and private schools from Vermont, New Hampshire, Connecticut, and Massachusetts. Awards went to the top fifteen finishers in each race, and at the end of the 12-hour day in the Thetford Hills, seven Andover boys walked away with ribbons. As a team, Andover finished higher than any other P.A. squad that Coach Stableford has brought to Thetford. They missed first place by only eleven points.

The day was bright, warm, and windless, and the autumn foliage in the surrounding hills was in full display. Contrary to the cloudless sky, however, recent rains had left parts of the rugged 5K course swamped and pocked with shallow mud pits. On a level plane only at the start and finish, the Thetford trail weaves over rolling terrain for two-and-a-half kilometers before making a steep ascent up "Morty's Monster," a hill named after the course's designer, six-time Olympic athlete, Coach John Morton. The final kilometer is a breakneck sprint downhill that threads through a stand of white pines and empties onto Thetford Academy's soccer fields.

When PA took to the line at the start of the fifth-seed race (in which four boys-in-blue ran their first cross-country races ever), Coaches Stableford and Koolen secured a place on the far right of the starting line, hoping that the position would allow the Andover boys to get out ahead of the inevitable bottleneck at the entrance to the trail. The first four races worked according to plan: most of Andover's runners had starts that placed them safely ahead of the pack. Five runners of Andover's second-seven — Jeff Heighington '00, Graham Smith '01, Tony Bitz '02, and Gavin Kuangparichat '03 — placed in the top fifteen in their respective races. The fifth ribbon recipient, Austin Arensberg '01, who finished a close second in the second-seed race, ran a fast enough time to displace two teammates in the first-seed race and finish sixth for the team.

Unfortunately, Andover's start in the first-seed race was terrible. Perhaps the left side of the startline had shifted four meters forward in the course of the day. Perhaps other coaches, noting that the right side of the straightaway had remained clear in each of the previous races, had shifted their teams accordingly. Whatever the case, when the gun when off, a hoard of runners swept to the right side of the field, leaving Andover's front seven engulfed in a sea of foreign jerseys. It

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STRONG RUN FOR THE BOYS' CROSS COUNTRY SQUAD

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took PA two-and-a-half kilometers to make up the lost ground, and by the time the boys fought their way to open running, the race was all but over.

Eli Lazarus '00 alone escaped the initial fray, thanks primarily to his teammate Ted Jutras '01, who used his 6'2" frame to run interference for the smaller Lazarus. Leading the team for all 3.1 miles, Lazarus finished 12th overall in a field of 691 runners. Closing fast behind him was captain Hunter Washburn '00, who finished 13. Ben Phillips '01 (29th), Adam Schoene '00 (40th), and Ted Jutras '01 (46th), respectively, rounded out the front five.

Argilio Rodriguez '00 (52nd overall) slipped on his first step and smashed his knee into his jaw, making it difficult for him to regain his composure until late in the race. Running in his first 5K for Andover, Michael Grant '03 finished 84th overall. Missing from Saturday's race, however, was Weston Fuhrman '01, who stayed on campus to nurse a tight hamstring. He has since run well in practice, and will compete this weekend.

In the first home meet of the season this Saturday, the P.A. harriers will take on the defending New England Interscholastic champions, Choate Rosemary Hall. As one PA runner said, looking forward to the showdown, "We'll beat them here first. You know-practice for Interschols."

BY WIDE MARGIN

SOUND 20-42 VICTORY

Andover Places Five Runners Between Choate Top Two

by Eli Lazarus
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Just before the encounter with General George Custer and the Seventh Cavalry at the Battle of Little Bighorn, Crazy Horse told his Sioux warriors only one thing: "Lakota—it's a good day to die."

Racing in the first home meet of its season last Saturday, the boys' cross-country team outgunned a veteran squad from Choate Rosemary Hall, the winners of last year's New England Interscholastic Championship. When the two teams took their places at the starting line, the P.A. harriers weren't nervous or intimidated. Like Crazy Horse, they were just tired of finishing second.

Coach Stableford's plan for the varsity race was to put four Andover jerseys in front of Choate's second man, and all five of P.A.'s scoring runners ahead of Choate's fourth. He figured that Patrick Martha, Choate's lead runner and 1999 Interscholastic champion in the 3000 meters, would distance himself from the pack early in the race, leaving the Wild Boars vulnerable at the belly. And that's exactly where Andover hit them. The boys-in-blue took the first mile fast and controlled, moving smoothly over the early hills of the Sanctuary and up to the log cabin. Then they went to work.

"The Andover varsity wouldn't let [Choate] in the race," Coach Stableford remarked when the day was over. Just as Stableford had expected, Patrick Martha, who finished the 3.1

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mile course in 16:24 minutes, had first place all to himself. The next six men behind him, however, were Captain Hunter Washburn '00 (16:37), Eli Lazarus '00 (16:47), Ben Phillips Õ01 (17:01), Weston Fuhrman '01 (17:03), Ted Jutras '01 (17: 08), and Argilio Rodriguez '00 (17:13). On the heels of Choate's second runner was Andover's seventh, Adam Schoene '00, who put the remaining Wild Boars behind him with a time of 17:37.

Andover's first and fifth men finished only 31 seconds apart.

P.A.'s second-seven continued the sweep by dominating a hoard of 50 Choate runners in the JV race. Michael Grant '03 and Austin Arensburg '01 took the first two places, finishing in 17:38 and 18:06, respectively. Dan Sullivan '02, nursing an injury, landed fourth place in 18:26, and Phil Delude 00 rounded out the front five, placing sixth in 18:37. Based on their times, all five would have displaced Choate runners in the varsity race.

Though he was proud of his team's performance, Coach Stableford reminded his harriers that their win was somewhat inflated—Choate had run poorly, and is capable of more. Thus, the real indication of Andover's success, he said, was that fourteen people had run personal bests on the course. And there is still room to improve. Though they continue to train hard through this week, on Saturday the boys will take to the streets of Braintree in a tri-meet against Thayer and St. Paul's.

10/9/99

BOYS' CROSS COUNTRY RAINS ON THAYER'S PARADE; CRUSHES TIGERS, ST. PAUL'S AT HOMECOMING RACE

by Eli Lazarus
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"Who the hell are those guys?"

The boys' cross-country team traveled to Braintree, Massachusetts, last Saturday, where Thayer Academy was holding its Homecoming festivities. In what was supposed to be a day of alumni parties, Tiger pride, and athletic contests against rival St. Paul's School, leave it to the team from outside the Independent School League to crash the party. Twice.

Thayer's 3.07 mile cross-country course-three-tenths short of regulation length-starts on the homestretch of a six-lane track and hugs the perimeter of four athletic fields before jibing into the streets of Braintree. After looping a double figure-eight around a pair of suburban blocks, the course returns to the Thayer campus and takes a second lap of the athletic fields, finishing down the length of the track in a hundred-meter sprint.

Because of the Homecoming schedule, however, two soccer games, a football game, and a field-hockey match were all still in progress when the boys took to the starting line. Aside from having to negotiate the course's tight turns and poor footing, runners had to weave though a gauntlet of parked cars, soccer balls, balloons, small children, and oblivious spectators. The worst incident came just minutes after the start of the varsity race, when three of Andover's lead runners-Captain Hunter Washburn '00, Weston Fuhrman '01, and Eli Lazarus '00-collided with a single field-hockey player from St. Paul's. Despite his efforts to avoid her, Washburn tripped over the girl's outstretched stick, and Fuhrman bounced off the girl's right shoulder, knocking her straight into Lazarus.

Coach Stableford wasn't phased. "We've got to get used to running on less-than-perfect courses," he said after the race. "It's good for us to encounter small setbacks in a race."

Once they had escaped into the streets, Fuhrman led Andover's varsity pack through the mile mark in a time of 5:09. The boys in blue dropped Thayer's front runner on the first hill, and worked to distance themselves from St. Paul's star harrier, Paul Wakelin. When the race was over, a stack of eight Andover jerseys had left Wakelin buried and burned in ninth place. Fuhrman, whose strength never faded, won the meet in 16:32. Running the final stretch stride for stride, Washburn and Lazarus finished together in 16:39, followed by Ted Jutras '01 (16:45), Ben Phillips '01 (16:52), and Adam Shoene '00 (16:55). Argilio Rodriguez '00 and Michael Grant '03 smothered Wakelin's final surge, finishing their races in 17:07 and 17:11, respectively. Austin Arensburg '01 crossed the line in 17:44, giving Andover nine of the top thirteen places.

Twenty seconds separated P.A.'s top five.

So much for Homecoming.

Thayer and St. Paul's fared no better in the J.V. race. Dan Sullivan '02, Will Chan '01, and Phil Delude '00 finished together to claim the first three spots, and though a St. Paul's runner followed them in, the next four places were all Andover's. The P.A. second-seven beat St. Paul's J.V. 17 points to 36, and made a clean sweep of Thayer, 15 to 50.

With the season in its final weeks, there won't be any more easy races. Andover hosts a strong team from N.M.H. this Parents' Weekend, and the Hoggers intend to crack P.A.'s perfect record. But this isn't Thayer Academy.

No one crashes our parties.

10/16/99

BOYS' CROSS COUNTRY SOUNDLY DEFEAT NMH; REMAINS UNDEFEATED IN DUAL MEET

by Eli Lazarus
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	20
NMH	40

It must have been a long, quiet bus ride back to Northfield.

Heartened by a Parents' Weekend crowd, the boys' cross-country team swept past a competitive squad from Northfield-Mount Hermon to tack another victory onto its perfect dual-meet record. Because neither team was running at full strength (varsity veteran Ted Jutras '01 was absent from P.A.'s ranks, and N.M.H. was without its fourth and seventh runners), Andover turned the race into a game of patience and high-speed strategy. The Hoggers just couldn't keep up.

Northfield's two front-runners, post-graduate Philip Muzzi and senior Eric Heikkila, took an early lead in the varsity race. Despite N.M.H.'s efforts to pull away from the Andover pack, Weston Fuhrman '01, Captain Hunter Washburn '00, and Eli Lazarus '00 stayed comfortably on the Hoggers' heels.

Once inside the Sanctuary gates, Heikkila faded on the first hill, dropping behind Fuhrman, Washburn, and Lazarus in quick succession. Muzzi, however, held his pace, pulling Andover's lead pair with him into the middle mile. Lazarus missed the break, quickly lost contact with the front three, and ran the rest of the race alone in fourth place.

At Heartbreak Hill, Muzzi, Fuhrman, and Washburn were still jockeying for position. That was when the N.M.H. harrier began "talking trash," Washburn related afterwards. "We were going up Heartbreak when all of a sudden the N.M.H. kid turns to me and says, 'I'm a freshman.' But the guy's a PG. I just wanted him to shut up."

To Fuhrman's surprise, Washburn surged past Muzzi as though the Hogger were standing still. When Washburn reappeared on the Great Lawn, he was all alone and "looking very strong," one spectator remarked. The captain finished in a time of 16:17, shearing more than twenty seconds off his previous personal best. No one in the New England Prep League has raced better this season.

Still on the course, Fuhrman passed Muzzi at the Armillary Sphere and kicked to the line in 16:32, outgunning the post-grad by a full six seconds.

Lazarus followed in 16:52. Northfield's Heikkila streaked past Michael Grant '03 (17:12) and Adam Shoene '00 (17:17) in the closing meters of the race, but Ben Phillips '01, Austin Arensburg '01, and Argilio Rodriguez helped displace the rest of N.M.H.'s pack. The meet belonged to the boys in blue, 20 points to 40.

Andover's second seven ran equally well. Dan Sullivan '02 had the race all to himself in 18:29, and Will Chan kicked ahead of N.M.H's first finisher to claim second place. Though J.V. Hoggers took the next two spots, Phil Delude '00, Tony Bitz '02, and Duncan Dwyer '03 wrapped up P.A.'s scoring five by finishing fifth, sixth, and seventh, respectively.

Now Deerfield awaits. This Saturday the boys head to western Massachusetts to raise some Halloween hell and seek revenge for last year's Parents' Weekend loss to the Big Green. Forget the Hoggers. This time, Gumby's gonna get it.

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A. Tucker/ *The Phillipian*

Captain Hunter Washburn '00 has had an absolutely fantastic season this fall, as evidenced by his success Saturday against NMH.

Washburn '00 Breaks Record, Leads Undefeated Boys' X-C

by Eli Lazarus
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	18
Exeter	43

So what if the Griffins lost? At least they got to witness something special.

In its final dual meet of the season last Saturday, the boys' cross-country team thrashed a tested pack from Exeter, clinching PA's place as the only undefeated harrier squad in the New England prep-school conference.

But that's a secondary point. Exeter's boys should be proud to know that they raced Andover on the day that Captain Hunter Washburn '00 broke the course record.

In the varsity race, Washburn, Weston Fuhrman '01, Eli Lazarus'00, and Ted Jutras '01 tore out of the start and crossed into the Sanctuary at a blistering pace, passing through the first mile in less than five minutes.

Their pack separated at the log cabin: Washburn and Fuhrman split from Lazarus and Jutras; Exeter's front man, eleventh-grader Ross Tucker, who had drafted Jutras up the hill, fell off the pace and dropped 20 meters behind.

While Ben Phillips '01 and Adam Shoene '00 contended with Exeter's second runner, Washburn was on wings, and flying downhill faster than Fuhrman could keep up.

"I didn't feel how fast our start had been until I hit Heartbreak [Hill]. That's where I tired," Fuhrman commented later.

Washburn, however, kept churning. "Hunter came out of the Sanctuary gates, and I hurried to get to the finish line before he did," Coach Stableford said after the race. "When I saw him hit the Great Lawn, and I knew he had the record."

The boys' captain crossed the finish line in 15:47, two seconds better than Darren Dineen's 1996 course record, and thirty seconds faster than his own personal best. His average mile splits were a cool 5:05 minutes each. A stellar run.

Forty seconds later, Fuhrman cruised to the finish all alone in 16:30, a new personal best. Still on the course, Tucker, who had run a solid middle mile to make up for his ragged start, caught Lazarus and Jutras behind the chapel.

Lazarus paced with Tucker to the final turn on the Great Lawn, but couldn't hold on for a kick.

Jutras finished one second behind in 16:55 (a personal best). Phillips and Shoene secured sixth and seventh place in 17:02 and 17:07 (a best for Shoene), respectively, and a pair from Exeter snagged the next two spots. Andover's Michael Grant '03, Argilio Rodriguez '00, and Austin Arensburg '01 then followed in quick succession.

The race belonged to Andover. The day belonged to Hunter Washburn.

Andover's second-seven secured their own perfect dual-meet record in the JV race. That the two squads managed undefeated dual-meet records is quite a remarkable feat, and it is also a testament to the tremendous depth of the boys' program.

Dan Sullivan '02 captured his fourth straight win in 18:18, another of the day's personal bests, and Will Chan '01 and Tony Bitz '02 finished together in 18:32, landing P.A. the first three places.

Exeter took the next four positions, but P.A. unleashed a sea of jerseys on the Griffins' fading fifth man: Duncan Dwyer '03, Jeff Heighington '00, Phil Delude '00, Tom Ober '01, Matt Rotman '01, and Gavin Kuangparichat '03 finished in a single, unbroken row.

This weekend the boys in blue will board their bus a final time and motor to Northfield Mount Hermon for the New England Interscholastic Championships-the capstone of their season. Double-knot your shoes, boys. It's showtime.

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Hunter Washburn, captain of the cross country team, beat Darren Dineen's '96 previous Andover course record by two seconds with a time of 15:47.

WASHBURN '00 FINISHES SECOND

Team Goes Undefeated Wins Third Title in Five Years

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PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Undefeated.

Last Saturday at Northfield Mount Hermon, the boys' cross-country team proved to be the best in New England, outracing thirteen other Division I prep squads to win Andover's third Interscholastic Championship title in five years. The victory was quiet. There were no bottles of champagne, no cigars or wildly embroidered commemorative hats (but those are on their way). Just seven guys with bright smiles, tired eyes, and wobbly legs, posing for pictures around a mahogany plaque that they had run so hard to earn. Seven guys who had accomplished exactly what they had set out to do.

The 3.1 mile course at NMH is harsh and unforgiving, but played directly to Andover's strengths. Flat and open for the first seventy-five meters, the course soon narrows and shifts uphill, pounding over a stretch of porous macadam before breaking into the woods. The route climbs in several steep increments, and finally peaks on a ridge past the first-mile mark. Spongy, pine-needled trail then traces the ridgeline for another full mile, and falls into the valley again in a series of precipitous drops. The last half mile of the course rolls over a hillside hayfield, and finishes in a breakneck sprint across a soccer field.

In the varsity race, the leaders separated themselves from the field of 90-plus runners early in the race, tearing through the first mile uphill in just over five minutes. Entering the second mile, Andover's pack had four runners in the top fifteen. But other teams were uncomfortably close: Choate had a man up front, and his fellow Wild Boars were on the move; NMH's harriers, confident and strong on their home course, were picking up speed after a conservative start; Deerfield had two runners in the top ten, and a third in close pursuit.

Captain Hunter Washburn '00, contending for the champion's crown, in the third mile worked himself into second place, a few strides behind the leader from Loomis Chaffee. "I couldn't see where I was going," Washburn

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A. Tucker/ *The Phillipian*

Eli Lazarus '00 and the boys' cross-country team ended their season undefeated.

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said after the race. "The cold air made my eyes water so much that I was stumbling the whole time, stepping on rocks and roots, everything."

Weston Fuhrman '01 felt the effects of the fast start as he neared the finish. "I was falling down the hills, trying to use my momentum to keep going. My legs were dead." Ben Phillips '01, however, was still going strong, and passed teammates Eli Lazarus '00 and Ted Jutras '01 in the hayfield. Meanwhile, Austin Arensberg '01 and Adam Shoene '00 were only a few seconds back.

In a spectacular surge, Washburn pulled to within three seconds of the Loomis harrier, but the finish line cut his drive short. "Had the course been thirty meters longer," a spectator said after the race, "Hunter would have won it, for sure." But Washburn's team was right behind him. Fuhrman finished seventh, Phillips and Jutras pinned down tenth and eleventh, respectively, Lazarus took seventeenth, Arensburg twenty-first, and Shoene twenty-seventh. With all seven runners in the top thirty, Andover's aggregate score was a mere 47 points. Choate had the next tightest pack, but their 73 points put them a distant, distant second.

The second seven had a tougher time in the JV race, placing third overall. Michael Grant '03 finished first in a time that "beat two-thirds of the runners in the varsity race," Coach Stableford pointed out later. Danforth Sullivan '02 landed a spot in the top ten, and his teammates Will Chan '01, Tony Bitz '02, Jeff Heighington '00, Duncan Dwyer '03, Tom Ober '01, and Phil Delude '00, battling an illness, rallied behind.

It was the perfect end to a perfect season, paid for in full with countless hours and miles. Congratulations, boys. You've had one helluva run.

SPORT: Cross Country - Girls

YEAR: 1999-2000

CAPTAIN: Anne Abbott & Katherine Larson
HOME ADDRESS:

MANAGER:
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COACH: Nancy Lang
ASSISTANT COACHES:

SEASON RECORD

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Letter Winners

Abbott, Anne
Brown, Georgiana
Carter, Emily
Donais, Melissa
Finn, Heather
Funsten, Allegra
Gosk, Chelsie
Jay, Hilary
Larson, Katherine
Lee, Adrea
Mason, Katherine
Maxwell, Sarah
McCann, Kaitlin
Riordan, Anne
Thomas, Anne
Yelton, Alexis P.

Girls' Cross Country

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Wed. Sept. 22, 1999	(H)	Brooks (scrimmage)	19	42	
Sat. Sept. 25, 1999	(A)	Manchester Invitational	not reported		
Sat. Oct. 2, 1999	(A)	Thetford Woods Trail Run	8th place		
Sat. Oct. 9, 1999	(H)	Choate	19	38	
Sat. Oct. 16, 1999	(A)	Thayer?SPS	18 28	43 37	Thaye SPS
Sat. Oct, 23, 1999	(H)	NMH	26	31	
Sat. Oct. 30, 1999	(A)	Deerfield	15	50	
Sat. Nov. 6, 1999	(H)	Exeter	not reported		
Sat. Nov. 13, 1999	(A)	Interscholastics (NMH)	1st place		

GIRLS' CROSS COUNTRY STARTS RECORD-BREAKING '99 SEASON

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The first scrimmage of the year against the Brooks School in North Andover proved to be an exciting, as well as, promising race. Fifteen Andover runners raced the home course, some for the first time. The highlight of the day came when Melissa Donais '02 won the race with a time of 19 minutes and 5 seconds, which beat the school record for the course by two seconds. Hillary Jay '02, Anne Abbott '00, Kate Larsen '00, and Kaitlin McCann '02 were the next four runners to finish, proving that this year's returning varsity runners are stronger this year than ever before. Newcomers Anne Reardon '03, Kate Mason '00, and Anne Thomas '02 also showed strength in their finishes.

The following Saturday, the team traveled to Manchester, NH to participate in the annual Manchester Invitational. Reardon started the day off in the freshman race, a 2.1 mile race in which she placed second with a time of 14 minutes and 16 seconds. Following the freshman race was the varsity race, a 3.1-mile course. Five of Andover's top runners ran in this race, with a final score of 305, allowing the team to place 12th out of 27 teams. Donais managed to win the race with a time of 19 minutes and 4 seconds, which is coincidentally one second off the time with which she beat the school record just three days earlier. Every girl finished within the top 100 runners in this race, an impressive feat for any school.

Tomorrow the squad faces perennial powerhouse Choate at home.

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Girls' Cross Country Outdistances Choate; Donais '02 Shatters Record

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Girls' X-C

Last Saturday, the girl's cross-country team raced on its home course against Choate-Rosemary Hall, and won by a score of 44-19. The weather conditions were near-perfect, and made for record-setting results. Andover had a near sweep by finishing number one as well as places three through eight.

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Kate Mason '00 and Andrea Lee '01 finish in Saturday's 44-19 win.

The day began later than expected because of a delayed arrival by Choate. The girls were not fazed by this, however, and kept themselves warm and prepared to race.

The race started quickly with the girls together in a large pack until they reached the sanctuary. Upon reaching the sanctuary and beginning the first hill in the course, the runners spread out into their respective positions in the race.

In a little over eighteen minutes, Melissa Donais '02 arrived onto the great lawn for the finishing stretch. Donais' finishing time was 18:28, which incidentally breaks the course record — held since 1992 by Hilary Bramwell of Deerfield Academy — by 14 seconds.

Though one Choate runner placed after Donais, a large pack of Andover runners took places three through eight. Andover's second finisher for the day was Hilary Jay '02, followed by Anne Riordan '03 and Co-captain Kate Larsen '00. Anne Thomas '02, Adrea Lee '01, and Kate Mason '00 rounded out Andover's top crop of finishers.

The rest of the team managed to finish with runners from their own team, supporting the cross-country theory that running with others helps improve one's race.

Chelsie Gosk '00 [new personal best of 22:51] and Becky Dann '01 were the next to come in, finishing eleventh and twelfth, respectively. Runners Allegra Funsten '03, Emily Carter '00, Hilary Langer '01, Sarah Maxwell '02, Heather Finn '03, and Alida Payson '01 finished out the group from Andover.

This race showed great improvement in almost all of the fifteen finishers, with ten of them bettering their scores from previous home races this season. Such improvement with so many races left bodes well for a good showing at Interscholastics in November.

Next week, the team will travel to Thayer Academy in Braintree, MA for a race against Thayer as well as St. Paul's School. Barring any serious injuries, this race should prove to be successful with as many girls as possible competing during Thayer's Homecoming Weekend.

Coach Nancy Lang considers this a building race, one that can be used a good workout for the team and that the girls are still training through. St. Paul's is normally a strong opponent both during the regular season as well as at Interscholastics, so this race should also be helpful in scouting out the competition for the largest race of the season.

Judging by the team's overall brilliant performances — especially that of Donais — thus far, both tomorrow's race and races to come should prove exciting.

Girls' Cross Country Defeats St. Paul's, Thayer in Tri-Meet

by Bridget Cook
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Andover	**18**
Thayer	**43**

Andover	**22**
St. Paul's	**37**

Last Saturday, the girls cross-country team traveled to Thayer Academy in Braintree, MA for a tri-meet against Thayer and the St. Paul's School. Last Saturday's warm weather and sunny skies were perfect conditions for a successful cross-country race. Although the previous week of training had been particularly hard, the girls concentrated on the race and ran hard with the goal of beating both teams. Thayer's course is not an especially difficult course; a majority of pavement , a lack of large hills, as well as a slightly shorter distance led to barely faster times than usually run on Andover's home course. Due to Homecoming Weekend at Thayer, the race was filled with many spectators and distractions, there were many times when the girls had to maneuver their way through the course, avoiding football spectators from all sides. The meet was based on dual meet scoring, allowing Andover to triumph over Thayer with a score of 18-43 and to defeat St. Paul's by a score of 22-37.

Melissa Donais '02 ran her race with a finishing time of 18:17 to take first place out of all three teams. The next finisher was Hilary Jay '02 who came in at 19:51, also beating out any finishers from either Thayer or St. Paul's. The next runners from Andover to finish were co-captains Anne Abbott '00 and Kate Larson '00 with times of 20:31 and 20:34 respectively. The two finished together in the cross-country theme of running in packs; taking places six and seven. The final runner in the top five Andover finishers was Anne Riordan '03 with a time of 20:46, placing ninth. It is an impressive feat that all of Andover's scoring runners finished among the top ten runners consideringthe two other teams racing against the blue.

Andover's next two runners finished with the exact same time and were followed closely by a tight pack of three more Andover runners. Kate Mason '00 and Adrea Lee '01 finished together with a time of 20:57. The next three girls to finish were racers Kaitlin McCann '02, Anne Thomas '02, and Becky Dann '01 with respective times of 21:33, 21:44, and 21:53. This pack of five Andover runners without any opponents between them shows the depth of Andover's team this year not only within the top five finishers but also within the top ten.

The team continued to look strong as the race continued, with Allegra Funsten '03 and Chelsie Gosk '00 finishing next for Andover. Like the rest of the team, they finished close together, helping to push each other to a strong finish with times of 22:14 and 22:18. Coming in next, were Hilary Langer '01 and Sarah Maxwell '02, both finishing strong with times of 23:12 and 23:42. The final two team members , Georgie Brown '01 and Heather Finn '03, finished together with times of 25:00 and 25:10.

This race was a definite success for the girls'; proving their strength once again as well as testing out some competition for Interschols in November. This Saturday, for Parents' weekend, the team will face one of its toughest competitors, Northfield Mount-Hermon on Andover's home course. NMH is rumored to have beaten Phillips Exeter this season, so Saturday should prove to be an exciting race in which Andover will hopefully come out on top. The team should be fine despite NMH's strength due to the ability that the girls have shown throughout the season.

Girls' Cross Country Narrowly Defeats NMH

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Andover	**26**
NMH	**31**

The weather predictions for the girl's cross-country race on Saturday looked grim. Rain and cold weather were on the forecast but by the time the girl's race started; the day was warm and sunny, perfect racing conditions. Northfield-Mount Hermon was a tough contender in this race, but the girl's managed to pull through with a win of 26-31. In a trend that is fast becoming par for the course, Melissa Donais '00 set another record, bettering her previous time by twelve seconds.

The race started off with Donais taking a quick lead, which she held till the end of the race, when she finished with a time over a minute faster than the next runner. Her time of 18:16 shattered her previous record of 18:28. Donais has managed to break her own record at every home meet this year. After two NMH finishers, Anne Riordan '03 finished with a time of 20 minutes flat, which was a large improvement from her last race, taking over a minute off her time. Coming in 15 seconds behind Riordan was Co-captain Anne Abbott '00. Between Abbott and the next Andover finisher was another NMH runner, but close behind her was Hilary Jay '02 with a time of 20:33. Finishing together were Co-captain Kate Larson '00 and Kaitlin McCann '02 with a time of 20:45. The next three runners to finish played a key role in the outcome of this race. They managed to push back the fifth runner on the NMH team to a lower finish, effectively winning the meet for Andover. Adrea Lee '01, Anne Thomas '02, and Kate Mason '00 were the final Andover Varsity runners. This was a strong performance for the blue, with the girls showing many improvements in individual times.

The Junior Varsity race proved to be an easy one to win with a final score of 19-40. Andover managed to dominate the first three positions, almost securing the victory with feat alone. Allegra Funsten '03 was the first finisher with a time of 23:11, and was followed almost immediately by runners Becky Dann '01 and Chelsie Gosk '00 who both finished with a time of 23:13. Pepper Yelton '00 and Emily Carter '00 placed sixth and seventh with times of 23:43 and 23:44. Right behind them, the fifth runner for the team, was Sarah Maxwell '02 with a time of 23:50. This finished off the girl's members whose scores would count to the meet. However, like the varsity meet, the next Andover runners were able to push back the opponents on the NMH team.

This Saturday, the girl's team will travel to Deerfield Academy for the second to last race of the season. Hopefully the winning trend will continue and this race will prove to be as successful as the previous races have been. The weekend after that, the girl's will return home to race Exeter on the Andover course. That race should be tough, but with the home course advantage and tons of cheering spectators, the girls should be able to win their last race of the season.

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Girls' X-C Beats Exeter; Primed For Interschols

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Andover	**22**
Exeter	**39**

Phillips Exeter fell silent as it watched all four of its usually dominant cross-country teams fall under the wrath of the superior Andover squads last Saturday afternoon. It was a perfect day for running and Big Blue took advantage of the weather as well as its hard work to pull through with wins from both the varsity and junior varsity teams. Girls' varsity raced first, and finished with a final score of 22-39. Following the boys' Varsity race, the girls' jv team raced and blew away Exeter with a score of 18-39, leaving both levels confident with their performances and looking forward to repeating the win this weekend at Interscholastics.

Although Melissa Donais '02 prevailed as the front runner once again, she did so with much closer competitor than usual. Donais, with a time of 18:16, was followed closely behind by Exeter's front runner, Emily Hampson, by 17 seconds. Andover co-captain Anne Abbott '00 finished third with a time of 20:07. She was followed closely by Exeter's second runner, who trailed Abbot by only two seconds. At this point in the competition, it appeared that the race could go either way. Taking the initiative, Andover brought in the next five runners, proving that the Exeter could not compete with Andover's depth. Co-captain Kate Larson '00 led this pack of five with a time of 20:37. She was then followed closely by Hilary Jay '02 and Kaitlin McCann '02 with their near identical times of 20:40 and 20:41, respectively. Close behind were Anne Thomas '02 with a time of 20:46 and Adrea Lee '01 with a time of 20:49. It was at this point that Exeter's runners finished the meet with defeated looks on their faces. Andover dominated the course on Saturday, with all of the varsity runners finishing in under 21 minutes. This is not to say that Exeter was not close behind, as all of their racers completed the course in under 22 minutes.

This race helped boost excitement and confidence for the upcoming Interscholastics race at Northfield Mount-Hermon. And so while most of the school will travel to Exeter tomorrow to watch the Big Blue take on Exeter, the cross-country team will travel alone to NMH where the team will defend its undefeated season and aim for an all-around championship. This season's performances have proven that should the girls run as well as they are capable of, a first place finish for both the varsity and junior varsity teams is quite plausible.

Girls' X-C Captures NE Title; Donais '02 Crowned Champion

by Kate Mason
, PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Girls X-C

Last Saturday, while most Andover students attended Andover-Exeter games, sixteen members of the girls' cross country team drove to Northfield-Mount Hermon to race in the NEPSTA Division I Interscholastic Championships.

Both the varsity and junior varsity teams had finished the regular season undefeated, and thus went into interschols with high hopes. They did not leave disappointed.

The first event of the day was the girls' varsity race. Melissa Donais '02 took an early lead as the front-runners headed into the woods. Shortly after that, the remaining six Andover runners charged to the head of an enormous crowd of runners.

This position would prove helpful to the Big Blue, because the NMH course quickly narrows after the start. Passing other runners on such a trail is very difficult, if not at times impossible. During the next two miles, the girls in blue fought to maintain their position over the slow course's rolling hills, numerous roots, and makeshift plywood bridges. At last they emerged from the woods to complete the final half mile over the fields.

When Donais came in sight of the finish line, cheers erupted from the spectators; the other runners were nowhere to be seen. She set a course record with a time of 18:30, more than a minute faster than her closest competitor.

However, the Andover girls' win was also due to the amazing depth of the team. One strategy frequently employed by the team is that of running in packs, and this race was no exception. After Anne Riordan '03 crossed the line in a time of 20:22, the remaining five runners finished within the next minute.

Captain Anne Abbott '00 had a time of 20:40. She was shadowed by Hilary Jay '02 (20:55), captain Kate Larson '00 (21:02), Kaitlin McCann '02 (21:03), and Anne Thomas '02 (21:22). All the Andover runners finished in the top third, and thus the Blue beat out the nearest team, Exeter, by 29 points.

It was with knowledge of this victory that the JV team gathered at the starting line. Adrea Lee '01 led the way into the woods, followed closely by her teammates. Once the pack entered the trails, runners quickly lost sight of Lee, and the top Exeter runner as the pair dueled for first place.

Although Lee trailed the Exeter runner, Meghan Prin, for most of the race and at one point took a tumble, she managed to keep sight of her opponent. When they emerged onto the lawn for the final stretch of the race, Prin slowed and Lee saw her chance to make a move. She surged ahead and went on to win the race with a time of 21:52. Taking third and fourth places were Kate Mason '00 and Chelsie Gosk '00, with respective times of 22:23 and 22:24.

They were followed by ninth place Allegra Funsten '03 (23:20), Pepper Yelton '00 (23:53), Emily Carter '00 (24:05), and Heather Finn '03 (24:18). Rounding out the squad and finishing within the top thirty-one runners were Sarah Maxwell '02 (24:37) and Georgie Brown '02 (24:49). Once again, the girls in blue came away with a team win. In short, the victories of the day provided a perfect finish to an undefeated season for the girls' cross country team.

11/13/99

SPORT: Field Hockey

YEAR: 1999-2000

CAPTAIN: Meredith Hudson & Anna Valec
HOME ADDRESS:

MANAGER: Katherine Davies
HOME ADDRESS:

COACH: Kathryn Dolan
ASSISTANT COACHES: Martha Fenton

SEASON RECORD

WON 9 LOST 5 TIED 1

Letter Winners

Anneberg, Christine
Anneberg, Lauren
Barensfield, Anna
Breen, Kathryn
Davies, Katharine
Doykos, Bernadette
Hudson, Meredith
Lewis, AnnaL
Locks, Sabrina
Locks, Vanessa
Macmillan, Katherine.
Mattison, Alice
O'Brien, Mariel
Oh, BiNa
Osofsky, Luling
Richardson, Susannah
Sanders, Laura
Smith, Sarah
Tsai, Lauren
Valea, Anna
Von Walstrom, Arabella

Field Hockey

			PA	OPP
Thurs. Sept. 16	(A)	Cushing (scrimmage)	not reported	
Wed. Sept. 22	(H)	Milton	4	1
Sat. Sept. 25	(H)	Loomis-Chaffee	4	0
Wed. Sept. 29	(A)	Harvard	1	2
Sat. Oct. 2	(A)	Tabor	2	2
Wed. Oct. 6	(A)	Governor Dummer	5	0
Sat. Oct. 9	(H)	Choate	2	1
Wed. Oct. 13	(H)	B.B.&N.	1	0
Sat. Oct. 16	(H)	Noble & Greenough	3	1
Wed. Oct. 20	(H)	St. Mark's	Canceled	
Sat. Oct. 23	(H)	N.M.H.	1	0
Wed. Oct. 27	(A)	St. Pauls	0	1
Sat. Oct. 30	(A)	Deerfield	0	2
Wed. Nov. 3	(H)	Middlesex	1	3
Sat. Nov. 6	(H)	Pingree	4	0
Wed. Nov. 10	(A)	Windsor	3	0
Sat. Nov. 13,	(A)	Exeter	0	1

SQUAD STATISTICS

NAME & HOME ADDRESS	HEIGHT	WEIGHT	CLASS	POSITION
ristine Anneberg 0 Gilpin Street enver, CO 80218			2000	F
auren Anneberg 0 Gilpin St. Denver, CO 80218			2001	F
nna Barensfeld . Box 889 Ellwood City, PA 16117			2002	G
athryn (Katie) Breen 64 Chestnut St. N. Andover, MA 01845			2000	F
ernadette Doykos Flint Circle Andover, MA 10810			2000	G
eredith Hudson 57 Old Burley St. anvers, MA 01923			2001	M
nna Lewis 8 Walnut St. Brookline, MA 02445			2000	D/M
zbina Locks 0 Washington Sq. South Philadelphia, PA 19106			2001	D
nessa Locks 0 Washington Sq. South Philadelphia, PA [redacted] 19106			2001	F
atharine (Katie) MacMillan 0 Mainstreet Hingham, MA 02043			2000	F
ice (Ali) Mattson Eel River Rd. tsville, MA 02655			2002	F
aniel O'Brien Hilton Ave. Garden City, NY 11530			2001	D
ia Oh 7 Briar Way eenfield, MA 01301			2002	F
ling Osofsky ove Dr. Middleton, NY 10940			2000	D
usannah Richardson Kenioton Rd. Lynnfield, MA 01940			2000	F

SQUAD STATISTICS

NAME & HOME ADDRESS	HEIGHT	WEIGHT	CLASS	POSITION
aura Sanders ; Raymond St. nien, CT 06820			2000	D
nah Smith 07 Woodlawn Ave. ilmington, DE 19806			2002	M
auren Tsai Yates Rd Etna, NH 03750			2000	F
na Valeo High St. bury port, MA 01950			2000	D
abella von Walstrom Winfield St. orwalk, CT 06855			2001	D/M

FIELD HOCKEY BEGINS SEASON WITH VICTORY

DEFEATS MILTON 4-1

Strong Offensive Game Marks Rebound From Dismal '98 Season

by Esther Rabess
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	**4**
Milton	**1**

With a promising 4-1 win over Milton in its season debut, the varsity field hockey team quickly dissolved any lingering worries remaining from last year's 4-7-4 season. Comprised of fourteen returners- including ten seniors- and six newcomers, the squad was able to work out some early-season kinks in its sound defeat of the Mustangs Wednesday.

Donning new uniforms, the girls took to the fairly soggy field hoping to avenge last year's frustrating 2-0 loss. Lackluster defense dashed any hopes for a shutout early on, however, as Milton rapidly pushed into the Andover circle. Within three minutes, the more tenacious Mustangs were able to blank Blue goalie Anna Barensfeld '02, bringing the score to 1-0.

This, however, was the last time Andover would be on the losing end of things. After Coach Kate Dolan called a timeout the girls got hold of their bearings and began to play with the intensity and skill needed to win the game. Mariel O'Brien '01 and Sabrina Locks '01 had some solid stick stops, preventing Milton from entering the circle and lessening the potential for further scoring opportunities. On the forward line Merri Hudson '01 and captain Christine Anneberg '00

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worked hard to move the ball upfield and were successful in creating scoring chances. Kate Macmillan '00 and O'Brien, a formidable duo out on the left wing, managed to force a number of breakaways, but with the Milton defense all over them were unable to make much of these fast breaks. Toward the middle of the half Laura Sanders '00 got hold of the ball off of a Milton flub. She skillfully carried the ball past two Milton midfielders and dished it off to Macmillan, who left her defender in the dust with her quick stickwork. Though the girls were able to get the ball into the circle, and even get a few strong shots off, the Mustangs guarded their defensive circle with a fury.

Finally, the Blue was awarded a penalty corner. Katie Breen '00 passed off to Anneberg, who redirected the ball toward the Milton goal. A large scuffle ensued, until Macmillan managed to elude both defenders and goalie alike with a well-placed rebound shot from the left side. Not long after, Andover brought the tally to 2-1 when the Laurens showed their stuff. Off a pass from the wing Lauren Anneberg '01 crossed the ball in a picture perfect play across the goal. On the other side of the field, her cross ball was brilliantly received by another Lauren, Lauren Tsai '00, who calmly maneuvered her way around two defenders and to knock the ball in the net on a reverse stick shot. For the first time in the game the Blue was up and it intended to keep it that way:

The second half featured a continuation of the the Blue's offensive firepower, save one dismal spell in which the Andover defense and goalie Barensfeld were subjected to fifteen penalty corners. By the middle of the half, however, defenders Anna Valeo '00 and Susannah Richardson '00 had taken control of the situation and were able to send ball after ball upfield for their teammates. Hudson netted the Blue's third goal on a bullet from the top of the circle, and stayed hot by directing the fourth to be tipped in by Breen. Commented teammate Ali Mattison '02:

"Merri Hudson had an amazing game, she had some nice shots and her field positioning was right on target. We couldn't have asked for more." Aside from her offensive prowess, Hudson's free hits in the midfield were dead-on accurate and her stickhandling was filled with finesse moves which consistently baffled Milton defenders all over the field. Another notable performance was that of goalie Barensfeld. Of the fifteen short corners Milton was awarded in the second half, Barensfeld managed to shut out all of them with poise and confidence uncommon in many young players. The preceding are just two highlights of a game filled with significant achievements, however. When all was said and done, Sarah Smith '02 summed up the attitude and performance of the team:

"The team is looking great this year and there is talent all over the field. If we can keep our level of enthusiasm and intensity up, this year promises to be a rewarding one." The team takes on Loomis at home tomorrow at 2 P.M. in hopes of prolonging the success it found Wednesday in its season opener.

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Field Hockey Season On A Roll

D. Kurs/ *The Phillipian*

Forward Merri Hudson '00 had a career game in field hockey's 4-1 opener over Milton on Wednesday, scoring one goal and assisting on another.

D. Kurs/ *The Phillipian*

Midfielder Laura Sanders '00 controls the ball as defender Anna Lewis '00 looks on from behind. Sanders, a returning player, proved to be an asset in Wednesday's game.

9/22/99

FIELD HOCKEY DOWNS LOOMIS 4-0; FALLS IN HARVARD SCRIMMAGE

OFFENSE STUMBLES

HOPES TO REKINDLE OFFENSIVE SPARK AGAINST TABOR

by Esther Rabess and Hillary Jay
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITERS

Andover	4
Loomis	0
Harvard JV	2
Andover	1

This past Saturday the Andover varsity field hockey team used the same intensity and cohesive play that earned it a win over Milton, to defeat Loomis-Chaffee, 4-0.

With a whopping 20 shots on goal to Loomis' 9, Andover managed to dominate play throughout both halves. With the help of goalies Anna Barensfeld '02 and Bernadette Doykos '00 and some high-powered offense, the Blue succeeded in shutting out the opponent, 4-0.

In the opening minutes of the game it became evident that this would be a hard-fought match, however any doubt in the spectators' minds that Andover would secure another win was removed shortly thereafter. After a few minutes of back-and-forth play, the Blue began to orient itself with Loomis-Chaffee's inferior style of play. After about two minutes the offense penetrated the Loomis offensive circle, and was awarded a penalty corner. Katie Breen '00 hit it out to Kate Macmillan '00, who connected on a cross with Christine Anneberg '00, who deftly received the ball and nailed it past the clueless Loomis goalie.

Next up, on a transition play, lower Bina Oh's scrappiness allowed her to come up with the ball amidst a midfield scuffle, where she eluded several defenders with her aggressive dribbling. Through a gaggle of sticks Oh managed to pass the ball to Merri Hudson '01 who, with her Herculean slap hit, sent a beautiful shot in, which the Loomis goalie in turn booted right back out. Hudson would not give up though and blasted yet another slap hit into the circle, which Breen calmly flipped into the net on a nifty reverse stick shot. With about five minutes left in the half Hudson, not to be denied, notched a goal of her own with yet another bullet from the top of the circle. Once again her strong offense was only a piece of her total performance on the day, as she constantly outmaneuvered frustrated Loomis players in the midfield.

At the start of the second half, coach Kate Dolan encouraged the team to keep up the intensity of the three-goal first half, and initially it did. However toward the middle of the half the team seemed to slack off a bit, and Loomis even earned a few penalty corners. With about ten minutes left in the

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D. Kurs/ *The Phillipian*

Kate Macmillan '00 helped the field hockey team beat Loomis.

Field Hockey Searches for Offense

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game, in fact, a Loomis shot actually hit the Andover goalpost, although goalie Bernadette Doykos '00 was soon able to clear the shot out, as she did a number of times during the half. Doykos had one of her stronger games, blocking shots and defending all corners of the goal well. She was also supported by the consistent and solid play of defenders Mariel O'Brien '01 and Sabrina Locks '01 throughout the half.

Breen displayed her jab skills, forcing Loomis turnovers for the duration of the game. Loomis played sloppily, allowing many turnovers, in contrast to Andover's clean play. Macmillan finished out the scoring on the day on a rebound shot from Anneberg with about three minutes left; this tandem passed well in the circle all day, as evidenced by their early goal in the first half. Commented goalie Anna Barensfeld '02,

"The team is very excited that our scoring output is far greater this year. We scored a total of 12 goals all last year, and this season we have already scored 8, which is a sign of how well we are playing." Most of the team echoed her sentiments, and hoped that the potent offense would carry over into the next contest, at Harvard.

On Wednesday the Blue traveled to Cambridge, where it faced the Harvard JV Squad on the Crimson's brand new turf field.

"We were psyched for the fast-paced game and having to adjust our play to the new surface," commented Laura Sanders '00. Although most of the team had never played on turf before, the players were eager to experiment with the crisp passes and accurate shots so common to turf.

As the opening whistle blew, the Andover players tried to keep up with the ball, which was traveling much faster than on their home grass field. Though the Blue possessed an advantage on both speed and stick skills, the Crimson players were able to utilize space better, sending one free hit after another through multiple lines of Andover defense.

On the other end of the field, Lauren Tsai '00 managed to deftly maneuver the ball up the right wing on multiple occasions, though the Blue had much trouble moving the ball into the circle and getting shots off. In the first half, in fact, Andover had about two shots and no penalty corners. Harvard, on the other hand, was awarded about five, and managed to capitalize on one about 2/3 of the way through the half when it caught the Blue defense off balance. Frustrated with both the score and their own lack of focus, the Andover players soon retired to the sidelines for halftime.

For the majority of the second half, Andover dominated all aspects of play. In the first minutes of the half, however, Harvard capitalized on a 3 on 1 breakaway and blanked goalie Doykos, bringing the score to 2-0. This was simply not acceptable, and for the rest of the game the Blue barely let the ball over the fifty yard line. With about twenty minutes left in the half, Andover finally earned a penalty corner and, just as in the Loomis game, scored on the very first one. Per usual, Hudson received the pass out and sent a shot to just the right spot. The Harvard goalie awkwardly stopped the ball, and Vanessa Locks '01 was on top of her pads, ready and waiting to put it past her.

With the score standing at 1-2, the Blue seemed to dig down just a bit deeper than before, relentlessly blocking up the previously unstoppable Harvard free hits and moving the ball around the offensive circle. With the support of Anna Valeo '00, Susannah Richardson '00, Laura Sanders '00, and Anna Lewis in the backfield, forwards Breen, Tsai, Macmillan, Lauren Anneberg '01, and Ali Mattison '02 coalesced into a passing-and-shooting machine. Though the score shows no indication of this late-game intensity, the team was able to realize the potential it holds for future games, one of the few positives to come out of this otherwise-frustrating scrimmage.

Tomorrow the squad will take on Tabor, one of the three teams it defeated last year. It will look to rediscover the high-powered offense that proved so valuable in the first two games, and move on from the disappointment of Wednesday's scrimmage.

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Field Hockey Ties Tabor 2-2, Blasts GDA 5-0; Anneberg '01 Nets First Career Goal, Hat Trick

10/2/99
10/6/99

by Esther Rabess and Hilary Jay
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITERS

Andover	2
Tabor	2

Andover	5
GDA	0

Despite an auspicious tie last Saturday at Tabor, the field hockey team was able to turn things around with a 5-0 trampling of an overmatched team from Governor Dummer on Wednesday. With impressive performances from the likes of co-captains Merri Hudson '01 and Anna Valeo '00, as well as "sister act" Christine Anneberg '00 and newcomer Lauren Anneberg '01, the Big Blue recovered the briefly-missing high-powered offense of the season's first two games.

At the outset of the game, play flip-flopped back and forth between the Big Blue and Tabor. Though neither could make much of it, both teams' play was aggressive. Towards the middle of the first half, a Tabor attacker broke through on a breakaway, leaving the Big Blue defenders hot on her heels. Valeo, though, who was a wall in the back field all game, broke up the Tabor play, sending the ball back upfield with a hard, long drive. Later in that same half, Valeo also managed to eliminate the threat from a Tabor corner when she cleared the ball out of the circle before Tabor attackers could attempt any sort of shot on goal. It was the play of Andover's defenders, including Valeo, Sabrina Locks '01, and Mariel O'Brien '01, which helped shut down the high-powered Tabor offense.

Andover, however, was not solely on the defensive. The half also featured a great deal of breakaways and skillful stickwork. Shots on goal by Kate Macmillan '00 and Lauren Anneberg were sent back out of the circle as quickly as they were sent in, for the determined Tabor defense was doing everything in its power to keep the visiting team scoreless.

Tabor, though, would not let the half end scoreless. Amidst a scuffle in the circle, the Blue defense allowed its opponents to sneak a ball through to the back of the net. Andover quickly answered back, however, with a "Sister-Sister" play to even up the score. Christine Anneberg deftly maneuvered through the physical Tabor defense and passed the ball off to little sister Lauren, who managed to shoot the rock through the large crowd congregated in front of the goal and into the back of the net.

Andover would continue to dominate in the second half, giving itself a 2-1 lead as defender Susannah Richardson '00 scored her first career goal when she blanked the Tabor goalie on a well-placed rebound shot. Richardson, whose thoughtful, consistent style of play has earned her a spot with the Blue for the past two years, is an integral member of the team.

Though towards the end of the second half Andover seemed to have bagged yet another win, with about ten minutes left, its intensity began to wane. On a short corner, Tabor was able to flick the ball into the net, past an unsuspecting goalie and defense. Although the entire Andover forward line seemed to magically coalesce and increase its intensity in response to Tabor's goal, such efforts were too little and too late, and the game ended in the a disappointing 2-2 tie.

Wednesday, Andover rebounded from its tie against Tabor and resumed its domination, shutting out GDA 5-0. Goalie Bernadette Doykos '00 displayed her ability and athleticism, making tremendous saves throughout the entire game. Once again sister sensations Lauren and Christine Anneberg provided double trouble for GDA, racking up goals using their stunning offensive moves. Christine Anneberg scored the game's first goal early on with a huge breakaway off a feed from Lauren Tsai '00. Tsai later displayed her toughness by continuing to play with intensity the entire game, despite being hit in the knee by an opponent's

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D. Kurs/ *The Phillipi*

Sabrina Locks '01 eludes a defender during last Saturday's 2-2 tie with Tabor.

D. Kurs/ *The Phillipian*

Vanessa Locks '01 takes the ball upfield during last Saturday's tie with Tabor.

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Field Hockey Season Looking Brighter With Shutout at GDA

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stick. The feed and breakaway move left Christine Anneberg one-on one with the goalie. She skillfully dodged two defenders and faked out the goalie to open the scoring for Andover. Lauren Anneberg then began her tirade, scoring three goals for the day and leaving spectators with their mouths agape. Lauren commented on the team's overall play, saying "The field hockey team really pulled together, and played with heart. We kept it simple with great passing and communication."

In addition to Tsai and the Annebergs, another forward, Vanessa Locks '01, also played one of her best games to date. Using her tremendous speed and quick dogdes, Locks expertly moved the ball upfield and through defenders all day long.

Laura Sanders '00 scored the game's final goal with two minutes left in the second half, raising the team's scoring total this year to 13 goals and surpassing last year's total number of 12 goals. This is a sign of this team's ability and competitive nature. One of the reasons Andover's level of play has been so high this year is because of its depth. In addition the Blue's ability to play as a unit has led the team to great success, which it hopes to continue tomorrow, at home against Choate.

Field Hockey Stays Unbeaten With Two One-Goal Victories

10/9/99
10/13/99

by Esther Rabess and Hilary Jay
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITERS

Andover	2
Choate	1

Andover	1
BB&N	0

The varsity field hockey squad is in the middle of an auspicious season as it has managed, in only six games, to surpass the number of wins attained all of last season. This week the squad added two more wins to its tally, defeating both Choate and BB&N, 2-1 and 1-0, respectively.

On Saturday the Big Blue faced off against Choate. The first minute of the game was a demonstration of the team at its strategic and cohesive best. To start the game Merri Hudson '01 faked out not only the opposition, but all in attendance as well. In the opening center pass Hudson took a huge backswing to fake out the Choate defense and then calmly tapped the ball to her right, where Katie Breen '00 took the ball up the wing, giving Andover the first offensive edge of the game. Other plays such as this, by Hudson along with teammates Sabrina Locks '01, Christine Anneberg '00, and Lauren Tsai '00, allowed the Blue to control the offensive tempo for most of the game. As opposed to in most other games, Andover did not have to send shot after shot into the circle before finding the back of the net. Off of a cross by Kate Macmillan '00, Christine Anneberg blasted the very first shot of the game into the goal. This goal set the tone for the rest of the game as Andover outmanned and outmaneuvered a strong Choate team.

Impressive plays were made all over the field from the backs up to the forwards. On one Choate attempt to score Sabrina Locks, a wall in the backfield, not only stopped the ball from entering the Blue's defensive circle, but swept it right back upfield using the back side of her stick. Midfielder Hudson also had a fine show-

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ing, at one point making a 50 yard dash into Andover's offensive zone with the ball in her possession. Forward Lauren Anneberg '01, a surprise scoring sensation this season, worked hard to maintain possession with some nice reverse stick stops.

The girls came out strong in the second half as well, scoring again on Choate's overmatched defense. Lauren Tsai '00 succeeded in getting the ball into the net after many rebounds by the aggressive Choate goalie, with Macmillan earning her second assist on the day. Although with just two minutes left the Blue had managed to preserve the shutout, the Wild Boars simply refused to be put down, and proceeded to earn a penalty corner. Amidst a scuffle in front of the goal, a Choate player was able to knock in a rebound.

Manager Katie Davies '00 summed up the team's play, "Things are really coming together for us this season. The play is incredibly cohesive and as a result we're able to pull off a more tactical, high level, high intensity game."

Facing an aggressive and highly physical BB&N team on Wednesday, Andover displayed its ability to play this tactical, high level, high intensity game by defeating the opponent 1-0. Andover got off to a strong start, keeping the ball out of BB&N's offensive zone. The team, despite the loss of starters Anna Valeo '00 and Laura Sanders '00 to illness, successfully staved off the BB&N attack, allowing the ball to cross over the fifty only twice in the first 20 minutes.

On one of these two occasions a BB&N player managed a 20 yard breakaway. Sabrina Locks, used her speed to get her feet in front of the BB&N attacker and expertly jab the ball away, sending it all the way back into the Blue's offensive zone. Eventually the Blue's solid defense began to wear down, allowing a corner in favor of the BB&N Knights. BB&N blasted a shot towards the goal, which was skillfully blocked, by talented goalie Bernadette Doykos '00.

The Blue's defense managed to clear the ball out to the midfield, where Christine Anneberg received the ball. Anneberg, surrounded by a hoard of BB&N defenders, used

quick stickwork and a pull right to outmaneuver these defenders, forcing the BB&N defense to collapse.

With the work of midfielders including, Hudson and Sarah Smith '02, the Blue managed to keep play upfield, wearing down the BB&N defense. Though Andover made many attempts to get the ball into the back of the net, it could not capitalize on its dominance, for BB&N filled its circle with extra defenders. Finally, though, the Blue broke through the tight Knights backfield and scored the only goal of the game.

On a free hit into the circle Arabella von Walstrom '01 sent the ball to Macmillan, who then used her classic reverse stick to send the ball across the goal. Right wing Tsai was well-placed on her post, and tipped the ball in for the Blue's lone goal of the day. Tsai's play was impressive throughout the game, most notably in the middle of the second half when she eluded a number of defenders, carrying the ball into the circle on a sort of "sneak attack". Tsai infiltrated a circle of BB&N players hovering around the ball, and escaped with the ball in her possession, leaving the Knights offense baffled and in her dust.

It was this type of tactical play along with intelligent strategy that is allowing the Blue to regulate play among some of the strongest teams in the league. Tomorrow night at 6:00 the team faces Nobles, ever the tough opponent, in the stadium under the lights.

Field Hockey Beats Choate, BB&

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D. Kurs/ *The Phillipian*

Lauren Anneberg '01 faces several Choate defenders during the field hockey team's 2-1 win last Saturday.

FIELD HOCKEY REMAINS UNBEATEN WITH 3-1 WIN

10/16/99

by Esther Rabess and Hillary Jay
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITERS

Andover	3
Nobles	1

The Andover field hockey team stood victoriously under the glaring lights of the football field last Saturday after crushing Nobles and Greenough 3-1 in a hard fought, well played match. Nobles, a typically strong team, could do nothing against Andover's hard hits, well placed shots, and cohesive play, and as a result fell to the Big Blue.

The game proved to be quite physical and aggressive, as Nobles players looking for an open shot attempted to battle their way through Andover defenders. The Blue's defense, however, was on fire, led by Vanessa Locks '01, Luling Osofsky '00, and goalies Anna Barensfeld '02 and Bernadette Doykos '00, and prevented the Nobles attack from finding such shots. Notable defensive plays include one where Osofsky used her quickness and tenacity to knock a potential slapshot ball away from a Nobles player and send it out of the circle, upfield to the offensive line. Locks, too, turned out some impressive plays, managing to elude both the Nobles midfield and defense on many occasions by using her speedy dribble to carry the ball far up the field. Osofsky commented on the team's play, saying, "We started out with a lot of intensity and aggression. It was apparent as we scored the very first goal. Towards the end of the half, our intensity and aggression started to slip and we allowed them to take advantage of that by letting them score a goal. We're very much a second half team, so we picked it up in the last half and eventually secured the win. I'm really proud of how we're coming together as a team, and our focus is amazing. If we keep it up, we'll definitely come out of this season highly successful. As far as I'm concerned, it's already been successful."

The win over Nobles also showcased Andover's depth at the goalkeeper position. Bernadette Doykos '00 and Anna Barensfeld '02 each blocked many threatening goals using their athleticism and focus. On one decisive play in the game, Nobles was awarded a penalty stroke. Barensfeld, in the net at the time, remained poised and blocked the ball with apparent ease.

On the offensive side of things, the spectacular sisters, Lauren and Christine Anneberg, again displayed that they are unstoppable scorers. Lauren Anneberg '01 scored the first goal of the game, off a direct pass from Lauren Tsai '00, putting the Blue ahead in the first half. Christine Anneberg '00, another force to be reckoned with, sent shot after shot into the circle, keeping the Nobles goalie on her toes. As usual, the older Anneberg displayed her field hockey prowess with clean passes and 20 yard breakaways. Towards the end of the first half, with its tactical play and skillful moves, it appeared that the Big Blue was in control of the game.

In the opening minutes of the second half, though, the Blue's defense began to tire as Nobles scored its lone goal of the day. The tie score sparked some great offensive plays in the second half, as Andover refused to accept anything less than a win. Tsai, who has emerged as an exceptionally well-rounded field hockey player, created a shot for herself by dribbling skillfully

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FIELD HOCKEY ROLLS TO 6-0-1

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through a tangle of sticks in the circle. Tsai then rocketed the ball into the net to give the Blue the lead.

As the final minutes on the clock began to tick off, Andover got one more goal to secure the victory. Kate Macmillan '00, always an offensive powerhouse, sent a powerful shot into the goal that was blocked by the goalie. Christine Anneberg managed to get her stick on the rebound, though, and tipped the ball into the net with a mere seven seconds of play remaining. This win showcased the depth of the team's talent to its opponents and spectators alike. Though its Wednesday game against Thayer was cancelled due to inclement weather, the girls will be looking for their next win on Saturday when they face off against NMH in front of a crowd of their most adoring fans, their parents.

FIELD HOCKEY FACES FIRST LOSS OF SEASON DESPITE CAREER GAME IN GOAL FOR DOYKOS '00

by Esther Rabess and Hilary Jay
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITERS

Andover	1
NMH	0
St. Paul's	1
Andover	0

In front of its "adoring parents" last Saturday, the Field Hockey team put on a fine show, shutting out Northfield-Mount Hermon 1-0. This was a big win for the Blue, even though the Hoggers, a traditional powerhouse, are having an off year. The defense was sharp throughout, with Sabrina Locks '01, Laura Sanders '00, Mariel O'Brien '00, LuLing Osofsky '00, and Ali Mattison '02 being particularly effective. NMH was seldom able to penetrate the defensive wall, and they had few scoring opportunities.

At the offensive end, Merri Hudson '01 was a whirlwind as usual. Hudson was primarily responsible for the winning goal, which came in the first period. She battled through a pack of scrambling Hoggers and launched a long pass to Christine Anneberg '00, who blasted the ball into the Hoggers goal from directly in front of the net. Although the Blue had many more chances in the second half, this would be the only score of the day. Anneberg remarked that "although the team faced some slight fatigue, we still pulled out the win in the end. We played a very solid game overall."

The Blue has usually counted on its powerful offense in 1999, but on this occasion it was the defense that made the difference.NMH may not have been the strongest test, however. The Hoggers had failed to register a goal for five consecutive games until they overwhelmed Exeter by a 4-0 margin last Wednesday. Some fans may think this bodes well for a successful Andover-Exeter Weekend.

The recent offensive slump finally cost the team a victory on Wednesday, however, as it suffered a disapointing 1-0 defeat at the hands of reigning ISL champions St. Paul's School. After falling to SPS for the past five years, the Big Blue had hoped to seek revenge. For more than three-quarters of the game Andover held the powerful SPS team scoreless, despite suffering a large disparity in field position. Then, unfortunately, the opponents made a sudden 2 on 1 breakaway when the ball hopped over the sticks of two Andover defenders. Despite three heroic saves in succession by goalie Bernadetter Doykos '00, the girls in Red finally knocked one in to secure the win.

At the outset of the game the Big Blue looked sharp and managed to keep the ball in its offensive circle. It could not, however, keep up the pressure, as an aggressive SPS squad began to wear it down. SPS's hard hitting and opportunistic style of play made it necessary for both the Blue's offense and defense to work particularly hard to create plays. Captain Anna Valeo '00 commented on this: "Though we may have equalled them in pure skills, they out-hustled us today." And it was this feistiness which gained St. Paul's the win.

Amidst many solid individual efforts last Wednesday the performance of one player in particular stood out. Senior goalie Doykos had what teammate and goalie herself Anna Barensfeld '02 described as "an amazing game. Her saves were incredible. Against the hard, well placed shots from the SPS players its impressive that she only let one goal in, and even that came only after two great rebounds." In addition to the awesome defense of Doykos, Anna Lewis '00 also played magnificently. She worked hard to keep the ball upfield, taking advantage of every free hit awarded to Andover. On numerous occasions, Lewis managed to tackle oblivious SPS attackers, causing many turnovers in the Blue's favor. More

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than one bystander compared Lewis' outstanding defense to that of former defensive standout Tysie Sawyer '99.

The offense was not without strong individual efforts. The forwards, among them playmakers Kate Macmillan '00 and Lauren Tsai '00, made some valiant efforts in pushing the ball upfield. Christine Anneberg '00, another power forward, aggressively tore through one SPS player after another, but could not create any scoring opportunities.

Though the Blue's play was at times commendable, it could not sustain anything long enough to overcome the formidable SPS squad. The girls hope to fare better on Saturday when they will travel to far-western Massachusetts to take on another strong team - and traditional New England archrival- Deerfield Academy.

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Christine Anneberg '00 triumphs over two NMH defenders during Saturday's victory over NMH.

Scoring Outburst Lifts Field Hockey In Victories Over Pingree and Winsor

by Merri Hudson
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	4
Pingree	0

Andover	3
Winsor	0

The Gods were smiling on the field hockey team this week, as the squad was able to bounce back from a three-game losing streak to soundly defeat Pingree 4-0 and Winsor 3-0, as a prelude to tomorrow's Exeter contest.

Coach Kate Dolan used the Pingree game to experiment with positions, and such flexibility proved successful, as evidenced by the Blue's four-goal outburst(from Merri Hudson'01, Christine Anneberg '00, Lauren Anneberg '01, and Katie Breen '00.

Andover faced rough conditions on the road to victory this past Wednesday. In a 3-0 shutout of the Winsor School, the Blue was able to overcome terrible field conditions and poor officiating for a strong second half in which it would score all three goals.

During the disorderly first half, Andover could not seem to connect on its passes. In addition, the Blue defense was unused to the bumpy and patchy field, and thus gave up seven penalty corners in the game's opening minutes. About midway through the half, however, Katie Breen '00 managed to flick a backhand shot into the net for what seemed to be a 1-0 lead, but the far side official called Breen for kicking the ball. Questionable refereeing would squelch yet another Andover scoring attempt before the half was out.

Halftime allowed Andover a chance to catch its breath and talk about the problems it was encountering on the field. Refreshed and determined, the Blue took the field for the second half with a different mentality. The team quickly gained control of the game, hardly allowing Winsor to advance past its fifty-yard line. The offensive dominance by the Big Blue resulted in many scoring opportunities as well as many short corners.

Just minutes into the second half, Andover was already seeing results from its halftime talk. After a fast break down the field, Lauren Tsai '00 pushed the ball past the wobbling Winsor goalie on a pass from Vanessa Locks '01. Playing with aggressiveness on the front line seemed to be the one thing Andover had been missing in order to score. Another goal came shortly after, when BiNa Oh '02 finessed the ball through a scramble in front of the Winsor goal and into the net.

Before the game ended, the Blue was able to score once more, this time on a short run by Vanessa Locks '01. Locks, who played one of her best games overall, received a pass from Kate Macmillan '00 and dodged multiple defenders before shooting the ball past the sprawling goaltender. Defenders Sabrina Locks '01 and Anna Lewis '00 handled any Winsor offense easily, allowing goalie Bernadette Doykos '00 to add another shutout to her tally.

If the Big Blue can handle Exeter at noon on Saturday, it should be able to secure a berth in next week's New England Tournament.

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Midfielder Laura Sanders '00 controls the ball.

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Field Hockey Falls to Exeter; Narrowly Denied Playoff Berth

11/3/99

by Merri Hudson
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Exeter	**1**
Andover	**0**

The varsity field hockey team hadn't planned on playing its last game of the 1999 season on Saturday afternoon. Phillips Academy came into the game fighting for a playoff berth and a win would have secured it a spot in the New England Tournament. Unfortunately, a great effort from the entire team was not enough that day, as the team fell 1-0, and the Big Blue walked away from Exeter wondering if the playoffs were still within reach.

Plagued by a slow start, much like in recent games versus Pingree and Winsor, Andover was unable to take control early in the game. The Gryphons pounced on Andover's disorganization and scored a lucky goal on goalie Bernadette Doykos '00 in the twelfth minute of the first half. Exeter was able to maintain its lead throughout the first half, leaving Andover both frustrated and bewildered. During half time, the Blue considered each of its mistakes and reworked its strategy. Never in a million years had the players envisioned themselves down by point at halftime in this game. After some encouraging words from Mrs. Chase, the team was back on its feet and ready to start the second half.

The forward line, led by Lauren Tsai '00 and Ali Mattison '02, showed tremendous hustle in the circle, as the Blue turned its game around and prevented Exeter from getting the ball over the fifty- yard line for most of the second half. Shot after shot tested the Exeter goalie, but luck was on her side as countless balls tipped just wide of the goal. Defenders Anna Lewis '00, Mariel O'Brien '01, and Sabrina Locks '01 stepped up to prevent Exeter from breaking the ball out of its own defensive end.

Depsite multiple penalty corners in the game's final five minutes, the offense was simply unable to capitalize, and the final whistle blew as the Exeter sweeper cleared the ball out of her circle one final time. Dejected and disappointed, the Big Blue walked off the field for the last time this century. The girls knew that playoff spots were being chosen that night, but instead of celebrating, all they could do was wait.

The final call came on Sunday afternoon. Andover had, in fact, finished in 9th place. Only the top 8 teams were chosen to play in the New England Tournament. Andover was outplaced by Milton, which it beat 4-1 early in the season, and a seemingly inferior Tabor squad, which it tied 2-2. Things looked unfair for Andover, but the truth was that the squad had missed by just one eighth of a point. Neither the team nor coaches Kate Dolan and Martha Fenton could believe the abrupt halt to which the season had come.

1999 was a huge turnaround from the 4-7-4 season of 1998, and Andover will have another chance to redeem itself next year.

The Big Blue, however, will sorely miss its ten seniors, who formed the true backbone of the team. Forwards Christine Anneberg, Katie Breen, and Lauren Tsai coalesced into a nearly irreplaceable scoring triumvirate. Midfielders Kate Macmillan and Laura Sanders were consistent and hard-working, always ready to push the ball upfield or back into the circle. Anna Lewis, LuLing Osofsky, Susannah Richardson, and Anna Valeo each played with her own brand of tenacious defense which, combined with he stellar play of goalie Bernadette Doykos, allowed just twelve goals all season, while earning shutouts on six different occasions. The senior class brought much heart and spirit to the squad, and the team's ten returners will be well-served if they can match these key elements in 2000.

SPORT: Football

YEAR: 1999-2000

CAPTAIN: Braxton Winston
HOME ADDRESS:

MANAGER: Teri Moss-Tyler
HOME ADDRESS:

COACH: Leon Modeste
ASSISTANT COACHES: Lou Bernieri, Chip Dunn, Raj Mundra

SEASON RECORD

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Letter Winners

Aisenberg, Joshua
Barndollar, Gilman
Blanch, Justin
Bradshaw, Julius
Brancaccio, William
Burke, Sterlind
Butcher, Corbin
Carr, Nathaniel
Catanella, Brian
Chang, Benjamin
Choi, Kingsley
Cropp, Ian
DeOssie, Zachary
deVos, Aaron
Dougherty, Mathew
Fraker, C. Porter
Hordon, Marc
Ivory, Terrell
Judson, Jonathan
Kinneen, Bryan
Lemire, Joseph
Long, Daniel
Martignetti, Ferdinand
McArdle, Lucas
Moss-Tyler, Teri
Ottariano, Mark
Pearson, John
Rodriguez, Joshua
Saccoccia, Beau
Scriven, Matthew
Shetty, Ashish
Sinclair, Kevin
Smith, Brian
Song, Min Sup
Thurber, Davis
Veliz, Albert
Ward, Scott
Wholey, Christopher
Winston, Braxton
Wu, Allen

Football

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Sat. Sept. 25, 1999	(H)	Loomis-Chaffee (scrimmage)	28	6
Sat. Oct. 3, 1999	(A)	Hotchkiss	34	20
Sat. Oct. 9, 1999	(H)	Choate	17	14
Sat. Oct,16, 1999	(A)	Kent	7	50
Sat. Oct. 23, 1999	(H)	N.M.H.	29	0
Sat. Oct. 30, 1999	(A)	Deerfield	26	21
Sat. Nov. 6, 1999	(H)	New Hampton	22	12
Sat. Nov. 13, 1999	(A)	Exeter	19	7
Sat. Nov. 20, 1999	(H)	Salisbury School	14	13

SQUAD STATISTICS

NAME & HOME ADDRESS	HEIGHT	WEIGHT	CLASS	POSITION
senberg, Joshua B. 100 Blue Spruce Road ston, VA 20191	6'2"	205	2000	NG
endollar, Gilman 0 Middle street tsmouth, NH 03801	5'11"	165	2000	S
anch, Justin Wescott Circle vicsbury, MA 01876	5'8"	175	2000	TB
ldshaw, Julius 0 Laurel Way, Apt 2A ndon, VA 20170	5'8"	162	2000	ST
ancaccio, William R 1 Harvest Lane th Hampton, NY 11968	6'1"	220	2000	C/LB
rke, Sterlind 02 Lake Ridge Terrace wie, MD 20720	6'5"	324	2000	T/DT
tcher, Corbin S colony II, #160, 251 ndon Blvd Biscayne, FL 33149	5'10"	162	2001	K
r, Nathaniel 19 Lexington Rd ncord, MA 01742	6'4"	183	2000	K
anella, Brian A 07 Brandywine drive orestown, NJ 08057	6'3"	250	2000	G
ang, Benjamin 1 West Arthur Avenue icago, IL 606626	6'0'	155	2002	CB
i, Kingsley High Ridge road xford, MA 01921	5'11'	185	2001	DE
opp, Ian Viscount Drive lliamsville, NY 14221	5'7"	170	2001	FB/LB
Ossie, Zackary P. 35 Chestnut street orth Andover, MA 01845	6'2"	165	2003	QB/S
VDS, Aaron C. 0 Herrick Road xford, MA 01921	6'2"	215	2001	T/DT

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NAME & HOME ADDRESS	HEIGHT	WEIGHT	CLASS	POSITION
herty, Matthew O. Box 1403 lleburg, VA 20118	5'10"	210	2001	G/LB
ker, Porter Prospect Street nucket, MA 02554	6'1"	160	2000	WR/DB
don, marc O. Box 1229 nerst, NH 03031	6'3"	210	2000	QB/S
ry, Terrell 29 Hyde Park Drive rlotte, NC 28216	6'0"	180	2000	WR/DB
on, Jonathan Sevoian Drive nuan, a 01844	6'0"	205	2002	G/NG
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ire, Joseph Fowler Road ell, MA 01854	6'3"	187	2001	E/DE
, Daniel Meridian Street River, MA 02720	6'3"	200	2000	WR/DE
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rdie, Lucas King George Drive ord, MA 01921	5'11	160	2000	WR/DB
rlano, mark Latham Lane ding, MA 01867	6'0"	190	2000	P/DE
rson, John Fairmont St. ell, MA 01852	6'0"	195	2001	LB
riguez, Joshua Riverside Drive, Apt 5G York, NY 10032	6'0"	297	2001	NG
ccola, Beau 1 East Beach Christian, MS 39571	6'3"	200	2000	S

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ith, Brian Calle Ensueno rathon, FL 33050	5'7"	145	2000	QB
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ard, Scott Laurel Hollow Road sford, MA 01291	6'11"	190	2001	RB/DB
oley, Christopher Lincoln Circle dover, MA 01810	6'2	218	2000	LB/TB
ston, Braxton Brooklyn Avenue, Apt 5L ooklyn, NY 11216	6'3"	200	2001	RB/LB
, Allen ara Road ilborough, MA 01772	5'8"	197	2000	DT

Football Team Suffers Close Defeat at Hands of Cushing; Will Meet New England Rival Loomis on Gridiron Saturday

by Joe Ankeles
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Cushing	13
Andover	12

Last Saturday, while many Andover students enjoyed a weekend of catching up with friends, playing outdoors, and plain relaxation, the Big Blue football team faced its first test of the season at Cushing's Quimby Field. While only a preseason scrimmage, the game was a valuable opportunity for head coach Leon Modeste and his staff to evaluate both the team's progress and its ability to compete with powerful foes like top ranked Cushing Academy.

The 13-12 losing score was certainly not indicative of the teams level of play. In fact, the actual scrimmage lasted for only one quarter. The rest of the time was spent with each team's starters playing two sets of ten plays on both offense and defense and each team's reserves playing only one such set.

During the first group of ten plays, the Andover offense had trouble gaining yards. Although returning quarterback Mark Hordon '00 displayed both the impressive power of his arm and a solid ability to find receivers in all areas of the field, he was unable to connect on any of his first five pass attempts. The running game showed a bit more strength as tailback Justin Blanch '00 made two substantial runs and captain Braxton Winston '01 made one.

The first defensive plays were shaky at best for the Blue, who surrendered a touchdown after nine plays. The Cushing offensive line was very often able to open large holes for its running backs, who ran the ball into the end zone to complete the seventy yard drive.

Andover's second stint on offense showed more potency in the passing game. Although the Blue didn't score, Hordon completed five out of eight passes and drove his team close to the Cushing goal line.

On defense once again, the Blue made yet another improvement. On Cushing's fourth play, strong safety Scott Ward '01 moved quickly by his blockers and made a strong tackle on the Cushing ball carrier behind the line of scrimmage. Terrell Ivory '00 made a similar tackle one play later and then went on to tip a pass that was tickcted for a receiver in the end zone.

Before the regulation quarter began, Andover lost the coin toss and was forced to continue playing defense. Unfortunately, Cushing's running game came alive once again, opening hole after hole and allowing a critical touchdown pass. But Ward came through yet again, this time getting just enough of his hand on the ball to thwart the extra point attempt.

Andover began it's first drive of the quarter from its own thirty yard line. Hordon threw his first two pass attempts from the shot gun formation, and it seemed as if he might try a third time. But Hordon made a handoff while still in shotgun formation. The result was a monster fifty-two run from Blanch to Cushing's eighteen yard line. A complete pass to Ivory moved the Blue to with five yards of the goal line. Two plays later Hordon found Ivory a second time for a touchdown pass. On the extra point attempt, Corbin Butcher '01 made on kick that would have split the uprights, but a diving Cushing player kept the score tied at six.

Once again on defense the Blue began to struggle. Despite Porter Fraker's '00 jarring hit on a Cushing receiver that knocked the ball loose, holes in the defense allowed forty more running yards and a second touchdown pass. Adding on the extra point, Cushing was able to seize a 13-6 lead.

With time running out in the quarter, Andover needed some last minute heroics to tie the score. On a third and long play from the Andover thirty-four, Blanch led the charge once again, blasting by defenders for twenty-one yards. The play of the game came as Hordon fired a pass all the way down field into the outstretched hand of receiver Lucas McArdle '00, who moved the ball four yards shy of the goal line. Following an incomplete touchdown pass, Hordon ran the ball into the end zone himself, bringing the Blue within one point of a tie. Because the game was only a warm up, coach Modeste called for the two point conversion, which resulted in pass that was barely incomplete and cheers from the Cushing fans.

When asked about the positives that could be drawn from the game, coach Modeste responded without batting an eyelash that the Andover passing game was a force to be reckoned with. In his post game talk with the team, Modeste predicted that, having scored two touchdowns in one quarter, the offense would be able to score whenever necessary. Modeste was also pleased with the way the many pass attempts allowed Blanch the room to run for as many yards as he did. The offensive line not only opened up holes for running plays but also allowed Hordon time to find his open receivers.

As for the defense, Modeste explained, "We don't have all our weapons yet," meaning that the team had yet to learn all the different patterns for the many defensive situations that occur in a game. So despite a still developing defense, the Big Blue is poised for a successful and high scoring opener tomorrow at 2:30 at home against Loomis-Chaffee.

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Justin Blanch's '00 contributions thus far in the season have been especially encouraging. The team will look for his leadership and ability to run the ball as well as he did Saturday against a tough Cushing Squad.

28-6 VICTORY IN SEASON OPENER AGAINST LOOMIS

DATE OF CONTEST: September 25, 1999

OPPONENT: Loomis- Chaffee

WHERE PLAYED: Andover

RESULTS: Andover 28 ; Loomis 6

CAREER GAME FOR HORDON

Improving Defense Allows Only One Touchdown

by Joe Ankeles
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

ndover	28
oomis	6

FOOTBALL

In Saturday's opening contest at home against Loomis Chaffee, quarterback Marc Hordon '00 was 15 r 30 with four touchdown passes and 13 yards in a 28-6 rout. Be afraid eter . . .be very afraid.

Unlike the team's initial scrimage at Cushing, this game saw major ntributions on both sides of the ball. e most impressive offensive series me with just over two minutes aining in the first half. In near per- execution of hurry-up offense, the e scored in only four plays, driving yards in 41 seconds. The drive was pped by a scrambling Hordon's 32 rd touchdown pass to wide open rell Ivory '00 that sent Loomis into time demoralized and trailing 21-

The biggest defensive stand of the e came early in the fourth quarter e Blue leading 21-6. Loomis the drive with excellent field tion on its own 44 after a careless alty following the punt. They thodically drove all the way to dover's seven yard line but were ble to penetrate further. The ense responded brilliantly when stant coach Lou Bernieri unleashed ell designed blitz package that led hree straight plays with negative lage and allowed Daniel Long '00 ick up his first two sacks of the season.

The Blue began the game with a slightly different starting lineup as John Judson '02 replaced starting nose guard Joshua Aisenberg '00, who injured his hip during the scrimmage at Cushing.

Winning the coin toss allowed Andover the opportunity to strike first, but in a case of first-game jitters, the offense quickly turned the ball over on a Hordon interception. The turnover turned out to be harmless, however, when Judson recovered a Loomis fumble just inside the Andover 20.

The Blue's next possession unveiled the explosive ability of wide receiver Luke McArdle '00. During the 84 yard scoring drive McArdle caught two passes for 48 yards, including a leaping 28 yard catch in the back corner of the end zone. Kicker Corbin Butcher's extra point attempt fell short of the uprights, but the Blue had drawn first blood with a 6-0 lead it never relinquished.

After stopping Loomis on the ensuing drive with solid coverage from the Andover secondary, the offense took the field once more. Following completion's to Long, Porter Franker '00, and McArdle, Hordon and the rest of the offense were nearly forced to punt. But on fourth down at the Loomis 39, the Blue ran a reverse play to Fraker who gained 8 yards and a first down. The drive continued into the second quarter, but a Loomis defender dove in front of Ivory and made a nearly impossible interception only ten yards out of the end zone.

Again the team responded fiercely to the turnover, forcing the Loomis offense to go three and out. The Loomis punt gave Andover the ball at mid-field and put the Blue in an excellent position to increase its lead. After three mediocre downs set up a fourth and inches play, Hordon seemed about to attempt the quarterback sneak, but, in an alert read of the Loomis defense, he cut around the pile of players and ran down the sidelines for 27 yards to the Loomis 12. Following a 6 yard running play to captain Braxton Winston '01, Hordon found Ivory in the end zone for the first of his two touchdown receptions. In an attempt to make up for the missed extra point in the first quarter, Hordon fired a bullet to Fraker for the two point conversion. Another good defensive stand set up the 41 second scoring drive that closed out the half.

Loomis' lone score came in the third quarter as its running game determinedly moved the ball up the middle for solid gains and an eventual touchdown. The extra point attempt sailed to the left of the goal posts. The rest of the quarter was mostly a stalemate as neither team could put together a sustained scoring drive.

After the impressive fourth quarter defensive stand, the teams traded possessions until Fraker came up with an interception at the Andover 39. The next play was a screen pass to tailback Justin Blanch '00, who danced by defenders for a 61 yard touchdown reception after center Billy Brancaccio '00 made a fantastic block with a jarring hit to the hapless Loomis defender. The extra point attempt from Butcher was successful.

In the post game meeting with his team head coach Leon Modeste made sure that the victory didn't go to the players' heads. "You played well, but you can play better," he warned. Assistant coach Bernieri then pointed out that although the team's overall play was successful, problems still lingered with defense against both middle-range passing and running plays.

When asked about the dramatic defensive improvement since the Cushing scrimmage, Modeste pointed out the team's increasing ability to adapt to the game plans of the opposing offense and also praised the Blue's success with man to man coverage. "Any time we get a guy one on one, we can beat 'em," said Modeste. "We may not be as big as other teams, [but] we have [better] athletes."

With a 1-0 record, the Blue will have momentum on their side tomorrow when they make the long journey to the Hotchkiss school in the hills of northwestern Connecticut. If the offense remains as potent as it has been, and the defense continues to mature with each practice, Big Blue fans will have plenty to cheer about for the remainder of the season.

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Postgraduate Porter Fraker and the Andover football team brushed off Loomis Saturday to start the season with an impressive win.

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DATE OF CONTEST: October 3, 1999

OPPONENT: Hotchkiss

WHERE PLAYED: Hotchkiss

RESULTS: Andover 34 ; Hotchkiss 20

FOOTBALL BEATS HOTCHKISS 34-20 IN DRAMATIC WIN

COME FROM BEHIND VICTORY

Quarterback Hordon Scores Yet Another Career Game

by Joe Ankeles
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	34
Hotchkiss	20

Later in the third quarter the Andover offense showed just how explosive it could be. After recovering a Hotchkiss fumble at midfield, the Blue ran the ball only 8-yards on their first three downs. In show of confidence, Head Coach Leon Modeste allowed his team to go for the first down. Quarterback Marc Hordon '00 quickly fired a slant pass down the middle to receiver Luke McArdle '00. Although McArdle was shadowed by two defenders on either side, he caught the ball on the run, evaded both of them, and cruised into the end zone for the second of his two touchdown catches. Even after a failed two point conversion, the Blue had taken a 21-20 lead it would successfully defend. McArdle finished the day with a career best 287 yards receiving.

The game began on a positive note when 324 lb. tackle Sterling Burke '00 recovered a Hotchkiss fumble on only the second play of the contest. Four plays later, with the ball on the Hotchkiss 35, Andover took the early lead when Hordon found McArdle in the end zone. In an aggressive play, Andover faked the extra point attempt and completed a two point conversion with a quick pass to Daniel Long '00.

The Bear Cats, refusing to be overwhelmed by their early misfortunes, soon came roaring back. On only their fourth play of the drive, the Hotchkiss running game exploded for 59-yard touch down run. The ensuing extra point brought the score to 8-7 and kept Andover weary of the dangerous Hotchkiss offense.

The back and forth style of play continued when Andover stretched its lead after only two downs. After an incomplete pass and a ten yard penalty, the Blue found itself at its own 21 yard line at 2nd at 20. Hordon rifled a short pass to receiver Terrell Ivory '00, who appeared to have no escape from the many defenders who surrounded him. In a highlight reel play, Ivory ducked by one tackler after another, finally breaking free and sprinting a total of 79-yards for the touchdown. Following a successful extra point attempt from Corbin Butcher '01, the eight point lead was restored.

The second quarter was a disaster for the Blue, as Hotchkiss quickly scored two touchdowns. On both drives Andover was simply unable to defend against the run. In addition both Bear Cat drives began in Andover territory because of a shanked punt and fumble. For the first time in the season, the Blue found itself trailing with the score 15-20.

During the break, Coach Bernieri changed the defense to man to man coverage with more of an attacking style of play. The move proved highly successful for the Blue, who refused to allow Hotchkiss to score for the remainder of the game.

After the third quarter heroics, Andover pulled away with the two more touchdowns. With 3:46 remaining in the game and the ball on the Hotchkiss 31, Hordon completed a screen pass to Justin Blanch '00, who used his speed and sheer will to drive his way to the end zone. Moments later, the Bear Cats fumbled the ball, which Winston recovered to end any hopes of a comeback. On offense once more, Hordon again found McArdle who was stopped six yards shy of the goal lone. Two plays later Chris Wholey '00 ran the ball in, bringing the score to 34-20. In the closing moments Porter Fraker '00 made Andover's lone interception.

Coach Modeste called his team's "never say die" effort a "great victory," despite the strength of the opposition. Modeste also praised the efforts of Hordon, who now has over 700 yards passing in only two games. "In twenty-five years, we've never seen anyone throw for over four hundred yards," said Modeste, who has traditionally featured the running game is his offensive schemes.

The Blue's triumph over Hotchkiss revealed both a strong desire to persevere and a developing sense of team unity. Both of these integral qualities allowed the team to overcome adversity and will serve as potent weapons for the remainder of the season. At 3:45 tomorrow on Brothers Field, the Blue will host the Wild Boars of Choate Rosemary Hall. If Andover continues to improve itself as it did last week, the struggling 0-2 Boars should be no match for the Blue.

High-Powered Offense Carries Football Past Hotchkiss, 38-20

D. Kurs/ *The Phillipian*

Quarterback Marc Hordon '00 has thrown for over 700 yards in just two games.

DATE OF CONTEST: October 9, 1999

OPPONENT: Choate

WHERE PLAYED: Andover

RESULTS: Andover 17 ; Choate 14

Football Wins 17-14

by Joe Ankeles
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

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ate	14

OTBALL

For first year kicker, Corbin Butcher '01, Saturday's game was a dream come true. With the score tied at fourteen, the ball ards away from the goal line, and five seconds remaining in the . Butcher made the winning field nd lifted the Big Blue to a 17-14 y over the Wild Boars of Choate nt of a dazzled home crowd. The ng kick was Butcher's first field ttempt of the season.

hough Andover's overall perfor- e was a far cry from the first two s of the season, many heroic indi- l efforts still provided the team lift it needed to remain unbeaten . In the fourth quarter, the Blue d to break down under pressure, ng off three crucial defensive s against a bloodthirsty Choate se. After quarterback Marc Hor- 00 threw his third of four inter- ns on the day, the Wild Boars led the ball to within only eleven of the goal line. On second down ve, Choate went to the passing , hoping for a quick end zone strike. In a Herculean effort, the defensive linemen three times fought through their blockers and forced the Choate quarterback to make hurried throws to the well covered receivers. Later in the quarter, the Blue caused a Choate fumble on third and long, preventing the Wild Boar first down and forcing the punt.

With under five minutes remaining and the ball in its possession, the Andover offense drove close to midfield before Hordon threw his fourth interception. If the Blue had allowed even a single Choate first down, the Wild Boars, who at this point were playing for the tie, could have run out the clock and sent the Blue back to the locker room with only a mediocre result. In the dramatic sequence that followed, Andover showed just why it is one of the most powerful teams in the league. Superior tackling from captain Braxton Winston '01 and the defensive ends held Choate to just a three yard gain and forced the Boars into a punt situation with only a minute left to play.

Choate's punt rolled out of bounds at the Andover thirty-five yard line, leaving the Blue the daunting task of driving over fifty yards into field goal range with little time remaining. After firing a sharp slant pass that went in and out of the hands of receiver Terrell Ivory '00, Hordon hit tailback Justin Blanch '00 with a short screen pass. Well behind the line of scrimmage and facing a horde of onrushing defenders, Blanch put forth yet another of his yeoman-like efforts. He fought his way by man after man, gained over twenty yards, and still had the sense to get out of bounds and stop the clock. Meanwhile Butcher was busily warming up on the side lines.

Not yet within scoring range and with under twenty seconds in the game, the Blue needed a miracle. As Hordon took the snap and went back to pass, the crowd watched in nervous silence. Hordon seemed to wait forever before he finally unleashed his monster throw toward receiver Luke McArdle '00, who was sprinting towards the end zone. With two defenders in his face, McArdle reached up and somehow grabbed the ball while in mid-fall only five yards away from the goal line. The Andover bench exploded, and the fans roared. After one last incomplete touchdown pass, head coach Leon Modeste called on his kicker, who completed the Blue victory drive.

Said Butcher of his heroics after the game, "I just tried to block everything out. I wanted to contribute, and thank God I managed."

Andover's first touch down came early in the game on only the first possession. After a solid run by Blanch from the Blue 44 and a ten yard complete pass to Ivory, Hordon lofted a thirty-seven yard touch down pass to the open McArdle. The extra point from Butcher was good.

Not to be outdone, the Wild Boars came right back. Using a highly physical running game and a twenty-nine yard touch down pass, Choate brought the score to 7-6. The extra point was wide right.

Following a missed Choate field goal in the second quarter, Andover extended its lead once more. A series of Hordon-Ivory connections and some timely runs by Blanch allowed the Blue to reach the Choate twelve. On the next play of the drive, Hordon fired a pass into the end zone that seemed to far away for anyone to reach, but a running Daniel Long '00 was able to grab the ball with outstretched hands for the score. Again Butcher's point after was successful. Late in the half, McArdle notched an interception, but the score remained the same until the second half.

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Two third quarter interceptions by Hordon and an ankle injury to Winston that kept him out of the game until the fourth quarter demoralized the Blue and allowed Choate to tie the game at fourteen. With their strong running game opening up the pass, the Wild Boars simply marched down the field without much resistance for a touchdown. The running game punished the Blue even more as Choate made the two point conversion. While this contest begs several questions about Andover's play, the win was none the less impressive, as the Blue demonstrating its winning resolve.

"We'll take it!" said Modeste of his team's miraculous win. When asked why the Blue had come so perilously close to its first loss of the season, Modeste sited an "out of synch" offense. "[Choate] double teamed Luke, and we sometimes tried to force the ball to him," explained Modeste, who added the some of Hordon's interceptions were due to Choate dropping more that the usual number of players back to pass coverage.

Tomorrow morning, the Blue will make one last voyage into the far away depths of Connecticut where it will face the Kent School, perhaps Andover's toughest opponent of the season. "Kent's unbeaten and they're good," Modeste warned his still celebrating team. Yet the first three games of the season have already proved that the Blue has ability, character, and a fighting spirit that refuses to be extinguished. Andover may have its hands full tomorrow, but as long as the team continues to give its all, Kent would be direly foolish to underestimate or overlook the Big Blue.

FOOTBALL TRIUMPHS OVER CHOATE WITH LAST-SECOND BUTCHER KICK

D. Kurs/ *The Phillipian*

Injured football captain Braxton Winston '01 is helped off the field by Athetic Department Staff Lou Bernieri, Leon Modeste, and Mike Kuta.

D. Kurs/ *The Phillipian*

Postgraduate Terrell Ivory, following a reception in Saturday's dramatic victory over Choate.

Football Blown Out by Powerhouse Kent Squad; Suffers 43 Point Loss

by Joe Ankeles
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Kent	**50**
Andover	**7**

Every once in a long while, Murphy's Law rears its ugly head in the face of Andover Football. Such was the case on Saturday as the Blue Big succumbed to Kent by a humiliating score of 50-7. The forty-three point margin of defeat was the worst in the team's recent history and raised many questions concerning the four remaining games of the season. With the loss, Andover's record fell to 3-1.

As one might expect, a number of factors contributed to the collapse. In addition to the four hour bus trip, a supposedly unsuccessful week of practice prior to the game, and a number of injuries, Andover also had to hold its own against an impressive opposing squad. With a highly talented scrambling quarterback, two sure-handed receivers, and an effective offensive line, Kent picked apart the Andover defense with sideline passes, quick slant passes, and the ever dangerous draw play.

Photo Courtesy of M. Cropp

Consistent play by Justin Blanch '00 has given Andover a great edge, as exhibited by his drive-sustaining run.

Despite the magnitude of the loss, the entire team was far more concerned with a second half injury to wide receiver Terrell Ivory '00. Ivory, who was hit hard in the stomach by a Kent defensive back midway through the third quarter, seemed to be fine until the fourth quarter when his blood pressure supposedly dropped below normal levels. The scene on the bench was tense as Ivory lay on the sidelines with Andover's trainer and the Kent medical staff in attendance. Finally with 50.7 seconds left to play in the game, an ambulance arrived on the field and carried him to a local hospital for treatment. As Ivory was lifted into the ambulance, the Andover team, all of the Kent fans, and the opposing team clapped their hands in encouragement. At that point the game was called by the officials, and both teams headed to their respective locker rooms. Head coach Leon Modeste informed The Phillipian on Tuesday that Ivory had made a full recovery and would start tomorrow's parent's weekend contest.

The game began with an early disappointment as the Blue drove forty-six yards to the Kent thirty-six yard line but was then forced to punt. Kent then scored its first touch down of the game after running five straight rushing plays and then unloading with a 47 yard touch down pass. With the point after successful, Kent grabbed an early 7-0 lead and never looked back.

Andover's offense had a chance to keep pace with the opposition on its next drive, but as the Blue approached midfield, quarterback Mark Hordon '00 threw the first of his five interceptions. The score remained the same,

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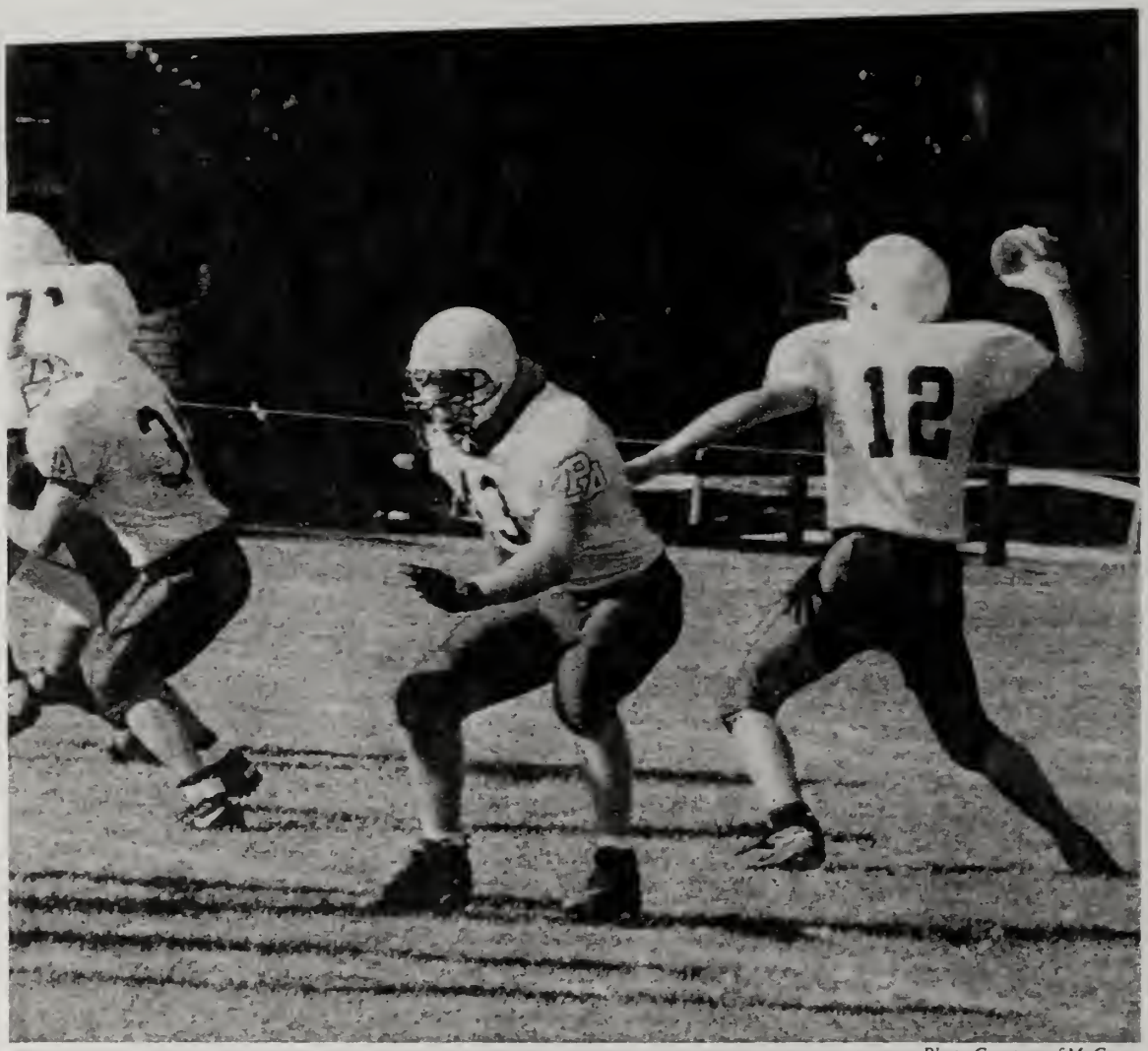

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Postgraduate Chris Wholey blocks for Marc Hordon '00 as he attempts to complete a pass during Saturday's loss to Kent.

FOOTBALL LOOKS TO REBOUND AGAINST NMH AFTER KENT LOSS

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however, until the end of the 1st quarter when the Kent quarterback floated a sideline pass to an uncovered receiver, who grabbed the ball and ran untouched into the end zone. The fifty-two yard touchdown pass was the first play of the drive.

Andover's only points came in the opening drive of the second quarter. A solid reception from receiver Luke McArdle '00 as well as powerful running from tailback Justin Blanch '00 moved the Blue fifty yards to the Kent thirty.

On third and short Hordon found receiver Daniel Long '00, who evaded defenders and found his way to the end zone. Following the extra point from kicker Corbin Butcher '01, who finished the day a perfect 1/1, Andover was back in the game, trailing by a score of only 14-7.

The momentum was unfortunately short lived as the explosive Kent running game once more opened up the long range passing game. After running the ball into the end zone yet again, the opposition made sure that an Andover comeback would be next to impossible as they fake the extra point attempt and successfully ran in the two point conversion.

Andover continued to deteriorate as Hordon through another interception on the first play of the drive. Kent then wasted little time in using its running game to extend the lead to 29-7.

The most back braking sequence for Andover came at the end of the first half. Blanch and McArdle had once again given the Blue hope by moving the ball within seven yards of a touch down, but one undisciplined penalty and then a phantom twenty yard call virtually undid all the progress the offense had made. The half ended with another interception as Hordon went for the touch down strike.

An early third quarter interception by McArdle was the only positive of the second half. Kent went on to score three more touchdowns, while the Blue replaced most of its starters in order to avoid unnecessary injuries.

On the bus ride home, captain Braxton Winston '01 showed frustration at his team's level of play but also demonstrated superior leadership. "What is everyone smiling about," he asked the team. "We lost by 43 points! We didn't have a good week of practice, it's not going to be like that this week."

Tomorrow at 1:30 on Brothers Field, the Big Blue squares off against the Hoggers of Northfield - Mt. Hermon. The game will be a prime opportunity for Andover to move beyond last week's nightmare and get back on the winning track. If the team continues to show the character that it did in the first three games of the season, Murphy's Law won't be haunting the Blue again for quite some time.

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DATE OF CONTEST: October 23, 1999

OPPONENT: Northfield Mount Hermon

WHERE PLAYED: Andover

RESULTS: Andover 29; NMH 0

OOTBALL REBOUNDS CONVINCINGLY ITH 29 POINT BLOWOUT OF HOGGERS

by Joe Ankeles
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

ndover	29
MH	0

FOOTBALL

In one of its most impressive performances of the season, the Andover football team sent a large parents week-d crowd home smiling as it cruised a 29-0 victory over the Hoggers of MH. Saturday's convincing win rked both the first the shutout of the ason as well an important moral tri-aph for the Blue, who rebounded ceptionally well from a devastating -7 setback at the hands of Kent two eeks ago. With only three games maining in the regular season, ndover's record now stands at 4-1.

As the score suggests, Andover ceived very strong efforts from many ayers on both sides of the ball. The ndover defense proved indomitable very time it took the field. NMH fin-hed the game having given up three rnovers and gaining only two first owns. In addition almost all of the ame, including the entire fourth quar-r was played on the NMH side of the eld. Andover kick-off man Nat Carr consistently gave the Hoggers ter-ble starting field position. Carr's cks were often close to seventy yards ng.

The standout offensive perfor-ance of the game came from tailback stin Blanch '00, who ran for two uchdowns, and finished the day with ver one hundred yards rushing for the cond straight week.

"He's a tremendous football player nd one of the finest runners we've ad," said head coach Leon Modeste, who added that having a runner like Blanch was a great way to mix up an offensive scheme that has been thus far dominated by the pass.

The first of Blanch's touchdowns came on the game's opening drive. Starting from its own twenty-five yard line, the Blue used handoffs to Blanch and two big completions to post graduate receiver Terrell Ivory '00 to advance the ball all the way to the NMH eighteen in just over three minutes. On second down and short, Modeste elected to run a reverse to Blanch. Although the reverse hasn't been the strong suit of the Andover running game so far this season, the Blue successfully fooled the NMH defense, who recovered only in time to watch Blanch dance into the end zone. Kicker Corbin Butcher '00, who has not missed a kick in over three games, converted on the extra point attempt and gave the team an early 7-0 lead.

On its first two possessions, NMH was unable to find any running room as the Andover defensive line overpowered its blockers and consistently found its way to the Hogger running backs.On the few times that the opposing quarterback tried to throw the ball, all of his receivers were too well covered to advance the ball. After its second consecutive hapless series, NMH's punt was high punt very short, giving the Blue excellent field position at the Hogger thirty-five. Following four straight running plays, Blue quarterback Marc Hordon '00 fired a fifteen yard strike to receiver Daniel Long '00 in the end zone. In a bold maneuver, Modeste called for the fake extra point attempt. While Butcher appeared to be kicking the ball, the NMH defense once more lapsed into confusion. Hordon took a long look at the end zone and then lofted the ball to a wide open Beau Saccoccia '00, who recorded his first catch of the season and lifted the Blue to a 15-0 lead.

Andover's dominance continued into the second quarter as the Blue found the end zone a third time. With the Big Blue at its own thirty-five yard line and third and long situation, Hordon unloaded a long pass to Ivory who caught the ball on the run and went the sixty-three yard distance to the goal line. Butcher's kick was a wobbly one but somehow found its way between the uprights to increase the lead to 22-0.

The biggest defensive play of the game came two possessions later, when a sideline fumble by Blanch gave the Hoggers the ball on the Andover eighteen yard line. The very next play, the NMH quarterback completed an eight yard pass, but the Andover secondary delivered a jarring hit to the opposing receiver, knocked the ball loose, and then fell on it for the fumble recovery. The teams then traded possessions well into the second half.

As the fourth quarter of play began, the NMH offense grew desperate for points. Trapped deep in his own territory the Hoggers' quarterback lofted a long pass to a double covered receiver near midfield. The pass was picked off by defensive back Luke McArdle '00. On the next NMH possession, the running back fumbled the ball behind the line of scrimmage, allowing defensive end Bryan Kinneen '00, who was marking his return to the team after a leg injury early in the season, to take possession for the Blue. With the ball at the NMH sixteen, Modeste again ran the reverse to Blanch, who once more used good blocking and speed to find the end zone. Butcher's kick capped the scoring at 29-0.

Tomorrow the Big Blue will travel to Deerfield for its final road trip of the season before the November 13 match up with of Exeter. Although Deerfield beat the perennially strong Exeter last week, the Green's record stands at a mediocre 3-2, including an early season loss to NMH. Tomorrow's game should be highly competitive because of the post-season implications on both sides. If Andover's defense continues show the strength that it did against the Hoggers, expect the Blue to return victorious.

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FOOTBALL BACK IN TITLE HUNT

E. Thornton/ *The Phillipian*

Marc Hordon '00 looks to pass to an open man during Saturday's victory over NMH.

DATE OF CONTEST: October 30, 1999

OPPONENT: Deerfield

WHERE PLAYED: Deerfield

RESULTS: Andover 26; Deerfield 21

DOWN 21-20 AT HALF, FOOTBALL WINS BY FIVE

WARD SETS TACKLE RECORD

Fourth Quarter TD, Interception Proves Decisive in Final Minutes

by Joe Ankles
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	**26**
Deerfield	**21**

FOOTBALL

Sometimes adversity is the best motivation. Such was the case at Deerfield last Saturday as the Big Blue roared back from a fourteen-point first-half deficit and defeated the Big Green, 26-21. The win, which officially ended Deerfield's championship hopes, boosted the Blue's road record to 2-1 and its overall record to 5-1.

The winning touchdown came with only 1:35 left in the game and marked the second time this season that the Blue has scored the winning touchdown in the final two minutes of a game. Trailing 21-20 with just over four minutes to play, the Blue found itself in a desperate defensive situation. Allowing even a single first down would have given Deerfield the oppurtunity to run out most of the clock and kill any chance of an Andover comeback. On Deerfield's first two downs, the Blue's tackles penetrated well and held the opposing running back to only four yards. Faced with a critical third

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Football Wins In Nailbiter

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and long passing situation, the defense came through once more as defensive back Scott Ward '01 beat his blockers and hauled down Deerfield's quarterback well behind the line of scrimmage. Trapped too deep in its own territory to risk a fourth down conversion attempt, the Green was forced to punt. Ward, who finished the day with a record twenty-one tackles, played a key role in preserving a second half shutout that allowed Andover go home with a win. "That's the most [tackles] I've ever seen a guy get in twenty-four years," said assistant head coach Lou Bernieri of Ward's performance.

The Deerfield punt was high and not very deep, giving the Blue excellent field position on the fifty-yard line. After quarterback Marc Hordon '00 threw a sixteen-yard completion to receiver Terrell Ivory '00, the Blue gained only two yards on its next three plays. Not yet within field goal range, Head Coach Leon Modeste was forced to go for the first down. Hordon fired a bullet to receiver Daniel Long '00, who drew a Deerfield pass interference penalty after being pushed off the ball while on the run. The controversial call kept Andover's hopes alive and gave the offense a fresh set of downs. The very next play, Hordon connected over the middle to Ivory, who avoided at least three tackles before easily dancing into the end zone. After a failed two point conversion, defensive back Luke McArdle '00 thwarted Deerfield's last minute attempt to retake the lead when he made a leaping interception at midfield, allowing the Blue to run out the clock.

Deerfield, however, dominated nearly the entire first half of the game. The Green ran the ball early and often, gaining first down after first down and opening up an imposing 21-0 lead. It was not until the final two minutes of the half that Andover broke through with a touchdown of its own. Trapped deep in its own territory because of two costly penalties, the Andover defense forced a very weak Deerfield punt that gave the Blue the ball only thirty-six yards away from the end zone. Completions to tailback Justin Blanch '00 and Ivory as well as another Deerfield penalty brought the ball to the thirteen-yard line. Hordon then handed the ball off to Blanch, who burst though a large hole and spun away from the remaining defenders for the touchdown with only twenty-five seconds remaining in the half. The score killed the Deerfield momentum and set the tone for the rest of the game.

The third quarter opened up with another critical Andover defensive stand. After two failed running plays and a sack from captain Braxton Winston '01, Deerfield went three and out and was forced yet again to punt. Hordon then wasted no time in continuing the Blue comeback. On the very first play of the drive, he fired a quick pass to a wide-open McArdle, who cruised in all alone for the score. With the score then at 14-21, Andover had clearly shown the Green defense that the game was far from over.

The Blue continued to hold the Deerfield offense and received the ball once more at its own twenty-six. Hordon and company now seemed unstoppable, gaining a first down on nearly every play. With a first and goal situation from the one yard line, back Christopher Wholey '00 pounded through the defensive line and brought the Blue within one point of a tie. Kicker Corbin Butcher '01, however, missed the extra point attempt, keeping the score at 21-20 and setting the scene for the dramatic winning touchdown. The miss was Butcher's first since the win over Hotchkiss early in the season.

As Thanksgiving break rapidly approaches, only two games remain in the regular season. If the Andover wins both of these games, it will mean a spot in the league's championship bowl. Tomorrow at 6:00 under the lights, the Blue will square off against the New Hampton School in the season's final home contest. With the defense playing as well as it has over the last two games and the offense continuing its deadly potency, the Blue will be in top form. Remember also that the fated clash with the 5-1 Exeter squad is only eight days away.

DATE OF CONTEST: November 6, 1999

OPPONENT: New Hampton

WHERE PLAYED: Andover

RESULTS: Andover 22; New Hampton 12

'ootball Defeats New Hampton 22 -12; Looks Towards Matchup Against League-Leading Exeter

by Joe Ankeles
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

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ew Hampton	12

FOOTBALL

Last Saturday Brothers Field hosted its final football contest before undergoing massive renovations sched-:d to begin this summer. In appropri-: fashion, the Big Blue handily dis-tched the New Hampton Huskies by score of 22-12 before an elated owd of Andover supporters. The vic-y moved the Blue's record to 6-1 d pushed the team into second place the league behind Exeter.

New Hampton's greatest strength as clearly its running game. On near-every play the Huskies handed the ll off to their star running back and oped for the best. Although New ampton gained many rushing yards erall, the Blue defense came through ith timely tackles behind the line of rimmage as well as a handful of ive-killing sacks.

Captain Braxton Winston '01 led e team with thirteen tackles. The lue also benefited from two critical terceptions by Porter Fraker '00 and uarterback-turned-defensive back arc Hordon '00.

One of the game's biggest turning oints came towards the end of the first uarter after New Hampton had mped out to an early 6-0 lead. A rong kickoff by the Huskies forced e Blue to begin the drive from its wn twenty yard line. Quick strikes rom Hordon to receivers Luke cArdle '00 and Terrell Ivory '00, as ell as a tremendous run from tailback ustin Blanch '00, who notched his ird game with over 100 yards rush-g, brought the Andover offense fty-two yards in only three plays. Just econds after gaining a first and goal tuation, Hordon lofted a short pass to vory in the end zone, completing the first of his three touchdown passes on the day. The successful extra point attempt by place kicker Corbin Butch-er '01 allowed the Blue to pull ahead 7-6.

The teams traded possessions for most of the second quarter until Andover brought the fans to their feet yet again. A strong thirty-four yard punt from Mark Ottariano '00 trapped New Hampton at its own eight yard line. Effective penetration by the defensive line, an undisciplined holding penalty, and a sack from Scott Ward '01 forced the Huskies to punt from the five yard line.

The punt was short but fell right into the hands of McArdle, who cleverly evaded tackle after tackle until he was forced down ten yards from the goal line.

Two plays later, Hordon fired a bullet to McArdle for the touch down. Then, in an aggressive and elaborate play calling decision, Head Coach Leon Modeste elected to attempt a two point conversion. After Hordon found receiver Daniel Long '00 alone in the end zone, the Blue took a two possession, 15-6, lead at the half.

The Blue opened the second half with a critical defensive stand. After allowing New Hampton to drive nearly sixty yards on a series of running plays, the defensive line clamped down on the Huskies' running back, stopping him four straight times for the turnover on downs.

Early in the fourth quarter, following an unsuccessful New Hampton fake punt in its own territory, Hordon capped the Blue scoring with a thirty-seven-yard touchdown bomb to McArdle. Although a celebration penalty forced the Blue to make a thirty-five yard extra point attempt, Butcher's aim was true, and Andover stretched its lead to 22-6.

Two possessions later, the Huskies scored one more touchdown on an eighty yard drive that ate too much time off the clock to allow for a New Hampton comeback. Although the Huskies successfully recovered an on-side kick, time constraints forced them to go with the sub-par passing game. On a desperation throw into the end zone, Fraker made the interception that allowed the Blue to run out the clock to victory.

Although the Andover coaching staff was more than pleased with the winning outcome, thoughts were already turned to the fated match up with Exeter. "The preseason is over," declared assistant head coach Lou Bernieri. "[Exeter] is the only real game."

Tomorrow the Blue will journey to the deep woods of Exeter, New Hampshire to take on its arch rival. Andover-Exeter is the oldest and perhaps the fiercest sporting rivalry in history

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between any two high schools. This year's match up promises to be one of and determination.

The defense has benefited from explosive efforts by Winston

A. Tucker/ *The Phillipia*

Led by Captain Braxton Winston's '01 thirteen tackles, the football team's defensive line dominated New Hampton on Saturday.

FOOTBALL HEADED FOR PREP BOWL;

DATE OF CONTEST: November 13, 1999

OPPONENT: Exeter

WHERE PLAYED: Exeter

RESULTS: Andover 19; Exeter 7

urth Quarter Offense Leads ootball Over Archrival Exeter

by Joe Ankeles
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

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OTBALL

All is right in the world; Thanksgiving break is only days away, spirits are bright all over campus, and ver stands once more victorious rchrival Exeter. In this, the latest er of the oldest high-school rivalhe history of sports, the boys in made themselves at home in r's Phelps Stadium, surging to a riumph before a capacity crowd 00. The win not only increased ver's overall lead in the series to -9 but also earned the Blue a in the NEPSAC championship to be played tomorrow at 1:30 on ers Field.

e contest, which even received national media attention, certainled up to fans' expectations. gh Andover was ranked second in ague behind Exeter, both teams ed the game with identical 6-1 ds and hopes of advancing to the

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allowing seven quick completions for large gains. With the ball on the one yard line, Whipple ran a quarterback sneak and inched his way over the goal line. The successful extra-point tied the game at seven.

As the fourth quarter began, the score was tied at seven with the game still up for grabs. After being fooled by an Exeter fake punt, the Andover defensive line came alive, sacking opposing quarterback Skip Whipple and then forcing him twice to scramble for a minimal gain. Not wishing to risk the fake a second time, the Red punted the ball out of bounds at the Andover twelve. The first two plays of the drive were ineffective, and it seemed as though the Blue might squander their chance to win, but quarterback Marc Hordon '00 found explosive receiver Terrell Ivory '00 with a sideline pass. The Exeter defender seemed mesmerized as Ivory cut to the inside and dashed down the field before the roaring crowd until he was forced out of bounds twelve yards away from a touchdown. On the very next play Hordon lofted the ball to receiver Porter Fraker '00, who stood all alone in the back corner of the end zone. Even though Exeter blocked Corbin Butcher's '01 extra point attempt, the Blue had taken a 13-7 lead with only ten minutes remaining in the game.

After the score, momentum had clearly shifted in Andover's favor. Exeter's next possession was quickly thwarted by a superb tackle from Matt Scriven '00 and a sack from captain Braxton Winston '01. Andover received the Red punt at its own twenty-yard line hoping to silence Exeter for good. The second play of the drive

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brought feelings of déjà vu as Hordon found Ivory wide open yet again for a sixty-seven yard gain. A holding penalty brought the ball back to the Exeter thirty-seven yard line, but the offensive show continued. This time Hordon fired a bullet to receiver Luke McArdle '00 on the run. McArdle broke by tackle after tackle before being stopped only one yard away from the end zone. As fullback Chris Wholey '00 pounded the ball in for the touchdown, Andover fans began chanting the word "overrated" in response to the weak showing from the highly touted Exeter squad. The offense failed to connect on the two point conversion, but the 19-7 score forced the Red into a position where it would have to score twice with just under six minutes remaining in the game.

The ensuing kickoff from Nat Carr '00 trapped Exeter inside its own ten-yard line as the Big Red's chances for a last-minute comeback began to fade. The defense refused to yield once more, this time getting a sack from center turned linebacker Billy Brancaccio '00. Until Saturday's game, Brancaccio had spent the entire season playing only on offense because Head Coach Leon Modeste did not want to risk losing his star center to injury. After the sack, Exeter was still pinned deep in its own territory and was forced to make a desperation pass, which Ivory intercepted at the Red thirty-three yard line. The Blue fans this time began to serenade their hosts to a chorus of "It's all over."

After Andover turned the ball over on downs, Exeter had one last shot at a score. The Red tried yet another desperation pass but was confounded once more, this time by a McArdle interception around midfield. As the dejected Exeter fans prepared to leave the stadium, Andover ran out the clock in triumph as a wave of blue poured onto the field.

After the game the coaching staff had no small share of praise for the players' efforts. Coach Modeste expressed his pride at the way the Blue handled an Exeter team known for it's pure physical strength. "[Exeter] is the bull and we are the matador. They were bigger and stronger. We were smaller and faster." Assistant Coach Lou Bernieri was especially pleased with the two mammoth receptions and the interception from Ivory. "Terrell turned the game around," said Bernieri, who then emphasized the importance of having so many "big game players" on the roster. When Modeste arrived back at the locker room, he noticed for the first time a sign that welcomed Andover to the Exeter campus. As he prepared to leave for the victory ride home, he took a pen and appropriately wrote "Thanks for everything" on the sign.

Tomorrow the Big Blue will pit its 7-1 record against the undefeated Salisbury School in the NEPSAC championship bowl. While Andover has taken over the number one slot in the league rankings, Salisbury is said to be a powerful force. The teams have not faced any common opponents in the regular season, making it difficult to predict a winner, but since the league championship is at stake, expect a highly intensive competition. Coming of such an emotional win over the Red, Andover needs to recognize that the season is not yet over and must be careful not to let its guard down. If the Blue continues to play at the level that it has all season, the Borden Gymnasium may very well hang another banner from its walls.

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Post-graduate Luke McArdle '00 proved to be a great asset during Saturday's victory over Exeter. numerous receptions were extremely helpful in establishing Andover's momentum.

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Terrell Ivory '00, following in his brother Titus's footsteps, led boys' football past Exeter in a dramatic fashion last Saturday.

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Justin Blanch '00 provided the boys' football team with an intense running game that consistently kept the team on track toward victory last Saturday against Exeter.

Andover Vanquishes Rival Exeter To Cap Century of Athletic Battles

By ROSS PERLIN

As the final seconds flashed across the scoreboard, Andover students, faculty, and alumni began to filter from the stands, forming an expectant blue wave pushing at the edge of the Phelps Stadium field.

The ensuing charge was the defining moment for all present – four-year seniors hugged three-month juniors while alumni, temperate veterans of victories past, looked on with blissful nods.

Of course, a community's moment of joy serves as only a snapshot from a larger photo album. Indeed, the field rush was only the culmination of a hard fought game and of a day in which every contest caused its spectators to hold their breaths. In the larger scheme, too, the excitement of Andover's revelers was an age-old joy, made all the richer by the history of an athletic rivalry that dates back to 1878.

Friendly tension had run high all day both on the fields and on the sidelines, visibly manifested itself on a few occasions. "How does it feel to go to a second-rate prep school?" one audacious Andover junior goaded an Exeter wing defenseman during the boys' soccer game. "You tell me," the soccer player scoffed as he ran past for a header.

That boys' soccer game was the day's first event, and for that reason, Andover's tenacious hold on its early 1-0 lead boded well. The team enjoyed a huge entourage of fans, whose yelling and screaming far outdid the occasional murmurs from the Big Red's sideline.

By the second half, a few locals had awakened to cheer Exeter on, but the bobbing blond heads of Mr. Scott's squad kept their thoughts on the field. By lunchtime, those counting – and who wasn't? – could chalk up one victory for the Big Blue.

After packing in some greasy fried chicken and a few pints of suspicious-tasting cola, a well-nourished fan might have headed for the Exeter gym, where the girls' volleyball game was already raging.

Once again, Andover's busloads of fans rallied behind Co-captains Nicki Salva '00, Cecile Ferando '00 and their cohorts for a battle in which PA came up just short. In each energetically battled game, some of Andover's tireless Blue Key heads managed to set the fans screaming again, until the girls' coach, Clyfe Beckwith, had to respectfully request that his teams' eager supporters quiet themselves at the referee's whistle. With the discipline of a well-trained army, Andover fans retimed their cheering, though ultimately their enthusiasm wasn't quite enough to prevent a 3-2 loss.

By this time, the day was in full swing and the best any maven could hope to do was catch a game or two of volleyball or a half's worth of field hockey, not to mention at least a quarter of the girls' soccer game.

The latter contest came down to the small margin characteristic of all the games but football, yet with a lot of soul and a good number of sideline yelps from friends, family, and schoolmates, they pulled out a 3-2 win.

The field hockey game brought fans into the center of the day's geography, just beside Phelps Stadium. Already exchanging glares over their mouthguards, the two squads fought

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for every ball with thundering intensity.

Rachel Burnes '99, last year's team captain and hero of many an Andover-Exeter contest, stood by on the sidelines, visibly frustrated that she couldn't get into the action. "It's a corner," she cried loudly, gesturing with her hands as she saw the referee wavering on a call.

Still, she couldn't have been disappointed by the team's fighting spirit — as sticks fell and flew; Merri Hudson '01, for instance was clubbed in the leg, but shook it off with a shrug and threw herself back into the fray. As Exeter had in the boys' soccer game, Andover's squad had to fight from behind, and, ultimately, the one-goal lead of the girls in red became a 1-0 victory.

Many Andover fans had watched the field hockey game draw to a close from perches high in the Phelps Stadium bleachers, and, with the approaching start of the football game, many simply turned around for the contest that would break the 2-2 competition tie. At fullest capacity, Phelps was a small city, complete with its own business district of food stands and souvenir hawkers, and an estimated population of some 8,000.

Aside from the drama on the field, which began abruptly with a PA touchdown only 2:40 into the game, the tradition of one-upsmanship was alive and well in the stands. Early on, the trio of John Kluge '01, Taylor Ford '00, and Andrew Scharf '02 snuck into the Exeter stands to grab a prominent "Spank Andover" sign, sprinting back afterwards to safe territory. Blue Key Co-Head Marco Davila '00 took over from there, ripping the banner to shreds to raucous audience applause.

Meanwhile, the usual antics had begun on both sides of the field. Fans aged three to eighty wielded everything from plastic bottles full of beads to "We're #1" hand-wavers and pompoms. Many had dyed their hair their school's color or painted their faces a bright blue or red to match — not to mention the occasional original touches, such as eye-liner and colored contact lenses.

"Would you like your hair painted blue or your face painted blue?" one Andover alum asked his kindergarten-age son, decked out in a blue Patriots uniform. "I'd like my face painted blue," the kid replied, much to the father's satisfaction. Of course, not all were as involved: the enthusiast's younger brother had fallen asleep on his father's lap.

"You lazy piece of garbage," one thirtysomething alumnus called from the stands at an Exeter defenseman. Then, by way of encouragement, he assured his team, "They don't want to play you, Blue." The Andover crowd laughed: if this was a rough-and-tumble rivalry, one needs a few rough-and-tumble fans.

The half found the two teams deadlocked in a defensive battle, and it was not until only 10 minutes remained that Quarterback Marc Hordon '00 broke open the stalemate with a 78-yard completion to Terrell Ivory '00. On the next play, Porter Fraker '00 barreled into the endzone to put the score at 13-7. Of course, there was nothing for Andover fans to do but rejuvenate their screams and give their nearest neighbors a hug, especially after the tension of a near Exeter touchdown, discounted by the referees, in the 3rd quarter.

A final enthusiastic push — spurred on by the heroics of Spencer Willig '02 and Luitien Pan '02, who ingeniously "borrowed" Exeter's "Our House" banner for a moment of glory – inspired a third and final touchdown, this one scored by Chris Wholey '00.

At that point, the confetti was out, the Blue Keys were dancing madly, and the blue-clad crowd was on its feet. Exeter standard-bearers, fearful of losing another sign, had pulled up their "House Of Pain" so that one could only discern "Of Pain," and it seemed a sad, but appropriate title to reflect the Big Red's day.

In the Andover stands, the loudspeaker had passed to one of Coach Lou Bernieri's sons, filling out the blue team in jersey number 15. With confidence and skill, Andover's Blue-Key-for-a-day rallied some of the game's loudest cheering. After that, the mobbing of the football team quickly followed, and Andover bore its celebration back across the Exeter footbridge — one Andover cheer there — towards the food hall — yet another cheer — and finally back to the waiting yellow school buses.

Saturday's five competitions brought out the finest in the fans and athletes of both schools, but no matter how much fun the battles themselves may be, there is something especially sweet about victory, not to mention a tight, well-earned victory.

Everyone who forsook their beds for the icy fields of New Hampshire last Saturday got what they came for, and those who came up from a little town called Andover got a little more besides: unity and a few timeless moments of glory.

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Gunga, PA's mascot, rallied Andover fans behind the Big Blue last Saturday.

Exeter's Phelps Stadium Stage for Latest Installment of Oldest Prep School Rivalry

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'ootball game last Saturday, Andover students go all out to support their boys in blue. The fied the capacity crowd.

DATE OF CONTEST: November 20, 1999

OPPONENT: Salisbury

WHERE PLAYED: Andover

RESULTS: Andover 14 ; Salisbury 13

FOOTBALL HOLDS ON FOR 14-13 VICTORY TO DEFEAT SALISBURY IN NE PREP BOWL

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plan except for the final score."

Though the game began with an interception thrown by Andover quarterback Marc Hordon '00, it was the Blue who would strike first. Early in their first possession the Scarlet Knights ran a pitch to their tailback, who bobbled the ball and let it drop to the ground, where Porter Fraker '00 made the recovery. The very next play saw Hordon throw a long sideline bomb to a running Luke McArdle '00, who beat his coverage and had no trouble scoring. Kicker Corbin Butcher '01 remained successful on extra point attempts, boosting the Andover lead to 7-0.

The next drive proved damaging for both teams. Although kick-off man Nat Carr '00 had forced Salisbury to begin at its own twenty yard line, the Knights drove seventy-nine yards and seemed poised to score. The Blue then forced the opposing tailback to fumble yet again, this time on a run down the sidelines. Unfortunately starting lineman Aaron deVos '01 was injured on the play and was forced to leave the game. The injury was compounded by the fact that fellow lineman Matt Scriven '00 was also out of the lineup due to illness. In order to close the injury void, starting Nose Guard Joshua Aisenberg '00 was forced to play on offense for the first time this season. Despite the unfamiliar position, Aisenberg filled in admirably.

The second quarter saw both teams continue to turn the ball over, with Andover giving up two fumbles and another interception. On the Salisbury side, Williams was picked off by McArdle and Fraker.

Salisbury tied the game as the half came to a close when it forced and recovered a fumble on the Andover ten-yard line by star tailback Justin Blanch '00, who once again ran for over one hundred yards. Salisbury then wasted little time in charging in for the touch down followed by Williams converting on the extra point.

In the third quarter both teams squandered prime scoring chances. After the Knights were forced to punt, the ball bounced off of an Andover player and into the hands of Salisbury. On the other side of the ball, the Knights fell victim to two sacks, one coming from Captain Braxton Winston '01, and a costly personal foul.

The second Salisbury punt was fielded by McArdle, who found a large hole and dashed all the way to the Knights' twenty-yard line. This time the Blue offense choked, gaining minimal yardage on three running plays and then turning the ball over with an incomplete pass on fourth down.

Early in the final quarter, the Hordon-McArdle connection came alive once again, this time with a forty-three yard touch down pass on second down. Butcher then kicked the eventual game-winning extra point and gave the Blue a fragile 14-7 lead. After the two teams traded possessions, Terrell Ivory '00 made a critical fourth down interception that allowed the Blue to kill some time off the clock.

Unfortunately Andover then went three downs and out, giving Salisbury the ball back on the Blue forty-three. Three straight completions by Williams gave the Knights a touch down with only a minute and a half remaining and brought them within a point of a tie. In a gutsy move, Salisbury's head coach elected to go for the two point conversion and the lead. Andover's Fraker emerged as the hero for the moment as he batted Williams' end zone pass out of the air at the last minute and sent the crowd into wild cheering.

The fans were quickly silenced however when the Knights recovered their on-side kick and moved within field-goal range. Salisbury moved the ball as far up the field as possible in the little time remaining and finally spiked the ball down with seven seconds to play. However, the long Williams kick fell far short of the uprights, assuring the Blue of another hard fought victory and the championship.

With the season now at an end and another trophy taking its place next to the many mementos of championships past, questions about next season are already beginning to surface. Perhaps the greatest worry for the future is the return of Modeste, whose contract expires in June. When asked about the possibility of leaving Andover in favor of a coaching job elsewhere, potentially at the college level, Modeste declined to comment but noted that his plans for next season would be settled sometime during the winter term.

Also coming into question is the quarterback position. With Hordon graduating this year, the coaching staff has a number of options to consider. Among them is the promotion of Zack DeOssie '03 to the starting job. DeOssie, only a junior and son of NFL great, Steve DeOssie, served as Hordon's backup this season but saw only minimal playing time at quarterback. The second possibility is bringing in a post-graduate for a year while DeOssie continues to develop his already impressive skills.

Although most of the starting team is headed off to college next September, don't expect a decline in the team's talent, especially on defense. Among those players returning is Winston, who will serve a second year as team captain. Winston led the team in tackles and also racked up his fair share of sacks. Also returning to the defense will be upper sensation Scott Ward '01, who has already set a record for tackles in a single game. Joining Ward and Winston will be John Judson '02, who started on defense this season as a lower. DeVos, who played well throughout the season, also returns to the lineup. On special teams, the speedy Joe Lemire '01 is also expected to get the nod yet again. Last but far from least is Andover's beloved kicker Butcher, who is best remembered for his game-winning last second field goal against Choate early in the season. Butcher made nearly all of his extra points and gave the Blue a real edge over its competition.

All concerns for the future aside, the boys in blue have had a remarkable season. They finished this year with a league leading 8-1 record and were undefeated on Brothers Field. During the early weeks, three school records were set: one for most passing yards in a game, another for most yards receiving in a game, and the last for most tackles in one game. The team also demonstrated an ability to handle even the toughest adversity, notching a number of come-from-behind fourth quarter wins, the most impressive of which came against Deerfield with the Blue trailing 21-7 at half time. In summing up Andover's entire season, no one put it better than coach Modeste. "Mission accomplished," he said, leaving the field.

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SPORT: Soccer- Boys

YEAR: 1999-2000

CAPTAIN: Oladapo Babatunde, Scott Darci, Zachary Wang
HOME ADDRESS:

MANAGER: Desirae Simmons
HOME ADDRESS:

COACH: William Scott
ASSISTANT COACHES:

SEASON RECORD

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Letter Winners

Babatunde, Oladapo	Kenly, James
Bradley, Alexander	McDonald, Bronson
Conlon, Joseph	Preman, Kyle
Darci, Scott	Pytka, Brendam
Ford, James	Pytka, Justin
Gerber, John B.	Scott, Sean
Ginsberg, Alan	Simmons, Desirea
Goela, Vicas	Sykes, Emerson
Hartley, Charles D.	Taggart, Ian
Hauchom, Bryan	Wang, Zachary
Hecstrom, Matthew	Ward, Marc

Cote, Daniel

Boys' Soccer

			PA	OPP
Thurs. Sept. 16, 1999	(H)	Noble & Greenough (scrimmage)	Not reported	
Wed. Sept. 22, 1999	(A)	Brooks (scrimmage)	0	0
Sat. Sept. 25, 1999	(H)	Loomis-Chaffee	0	1
Wed. Sept. 28, 1999	(A)	Holderness	3	2
Sat. Oct. 2, 1999	(A)	Tabor	2	0
Wed. Oct. 6, 1999	(H)	St. John's	Cancelled	
Sat. Oct. 9, 1999	(H)	Choate	0	4
Sat				
Wed. Oct. 13, 1999	(H)	Bridgton Academy	8	0
Fri. Oct. 15, 1999	(A)	Babson	5	0
Wed. Oct. 20, 1999	(H)	Harvard	4	2
Sat. Oct. 30, 1999	(A)	~~Deerfield~~ NMH	~~2~~ 0	~~2~~ 2
Wed. Nov. 3, 1999	(H)	~~Moses Brown~~ Tufts	~~2~~ 0	~~0~~ 1
Fri. Nov. 5, 1999	(H)	Cushing	0	1
Wed. Nov. 10, 1999	(H)	New Hampton	2	0
Sat. Nov. 13, 1999	(A)	Exeter	1	0
Wed. Nov. 17, 1999	(A)	Hotchkiss	0	1

Boys' Soccer Opens 1999 Season Undefeated Through Three Games

by Alan Ginsberg
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS ASSOCIATE

Andover	2
Nobles	2

Andover	2
BB&N	1

Andover	0
Brooks	0

The boys' varsity soccer team began its season before the start of September this year with a trip to the Team Prep Camp in Casco, Maine. There, a group of nearly forty Andover players worked on their skills and team unity while competing against squads from Taft, Middlesex, Lawrence Academy, and Holderness, among others.

Upon returning from Maine, the boys had a week to prepare for school before tryouts began. After four days of fitness testing, training sessions, 6:30 A. M. runs, and intra-squad scrimmages, the team was cut nearly in half, to twenty-five players.

That group of twenty-five then donned game attire for the first time for a scrimmage against Nobles. As it was a scrimmage, the coaches agreed to play three, thirty-minute "thirds" instead of the usual halves. In the first third, Nobles, playing through its gigantic center midfielder, managed to capitalize on a combination of defensive breakdowns by Andover and mistakes caused by the wet ball to jump out to an early 2-0 lead. Andover fought back, however, and began to dominate play in the second third, although the team was unable to cut into Nobles' advantage. Then, midway through the final third, Sean Scott '00 out-jumped the Nobles' goalkeeper and headed a cross into the net, bringing Andover within one and revitalizing the team's offense. After several minutes of frenzied attacking on the part of the Big Blue, Alex Bradley '01 headed a corner kick towards the net. En route, it deflected off of several players from both teams, including Vikas Goela '01, before hitting the back of the net and salvaging the tie for Andover.

Following the Nobles scrimmage, Coaches Scott and Cardozo made four more cuts to bring the team down to its final total of twenty-one players. The squad that will try to overcome the graduation of ten seniors will be spearheaded by tri-captains midfielder Dapo Babatunde '00, forward/midfielder Scott Darci '01, and defender Zac Wang '00. Other returning players include central defender Bradley, central midfielder Alan Ginsberg '00, right back Bryan Haughom '01, goalkeeper James Kenly '01, left back Kyle Preman '00, and midfielder Ian Taggart '01.

Players moving up from the junior varsity squad include defender Goela, defender/forward David Hartley '00, goalkeeper Matt Hedstrom '00, midfielder Justin Pytka '00, defender Brendan Pytka '00, forward Sean Scott '00, and defender Emerson Sykes '01.

New to both the school and the team are post-graduate midfielder Joe Conlon, forward James Ford '02, post-graduate forward J. B. Gerber, midfielder/defender Bronson McDonald '02, and defender Mark Ward '02.

This group of twenty-one certainly has plenty of firepower up front, but the team's success will depend largely on its ability to replace last year's amazing starting defense, every member of which graduated.

The final twenty-one boys began their season last Saturday with a scrimmage at B. B. & N.

In the first half, the boys suffered a momentary defensive lapse and B. B. & N. capitalized on the confusion to take a 1-0 lead. However, Andover opened the second half by demonstrating, yet again, the resilience that is rapidly becoming its trademark by taking a 2-1 lead with two quick goals created by the hustle of Brendan Pytka and Babatunde, among others. For the remainder of the half, Andover contin-

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ued to pressure the B. B. & N. defense, but was unable to score again. However, thanks in large part to a goal line save by Goela, the team narrowly escaped with the much-needed win.

Immediately following the game, the squad traveled to M. I. T. to begin a weekend retreat. There, the boys witnessed former teammates Chris Kane '99, Mike Pierog '99, and Piercarlo Valdesolo '99 help the Amherst College team garner a victory away from home.

The squad then drove to western Massachusetts for a banquet and team meetings before spending the night at Coach Scott's barn in Savoy.

On Sunday, the boys, after a morning spent hiking up a mountain and performing some fall cleaning for Coach Scott, saw the University of Massachusetts men's soccer team upset the nationally-ranked University of Washington in overtime.

After returning from the retreat, Andover did not have much time to prepare for its next test — a scrimmage against Brooks on Wednesday. Nonetheless, Andover dominated the game and had many golden scoring opportunities. However, due to some amazing saves by the Brooks goalkeeper, the scored remained knotted at zero well into the second half. The Blue, not content to settle for a tie, began pressing players forward into the attack, leaving the defense exposed. A lone Brooks forward took advantage of this weakness and broke in alone on the Andover goal. However, a diving parry by Hedstrom with less than minute left in the game preserved t tie for Andover. Recalling the gam Wang commented, "It was one those days when we clearly outplay and out-hustled the other team, b ended up costing ourselves the w through some poor decisions and b luck."

In conclusion, Kenly has provid *The Phillipian* with the followi shameless plug: "We have the pote tial to go far this season," he says. " come out Saturday and support against Loomis — the more supp from the school, the better."

SOCCER LOSES HEARTBREAKER; REBOUNDS AGAINST HOLDERNESS

by Alan Ginsberg
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Loomis	1
Andover (OT)	0

Andover	3
Holderness	2

On Saturday, the boys' varsity soccer team opened its season against fellow traditional New England Prep School Soccer powerhouse Loomis-Chaffee.

The combination of the gorgeous weather, the excitement surrounding the team's first game, and the abundance of fans in attendance created a near-perfect soccer atmosphere at kick-off. The general feeling at the field only became better (from Andover's standpoint) as the Big Blue started the game strongly, exhibiting an unexpected dominance over the vaunted Loomis squad, which held the experience edge in the game, having already played two regular season games.

After a Loomis free kick had to be cleared off the line when goalkeeper James Kenly '01 was plowed into by a Loomis forward, Andover resumed its dominance and began to enjoy more and more scoring chances created by the excellent one-on-one play of wing midfielders Ian Taggart '01 and post-graduate J. B. Gerber.

Early in the half, tri-captain forward Scott Darci '01 took a long clearance and juked the last defender, leaving himself a clear path (except for the Loomis goalkeeper) to the goal. Unfortunately, his shot hit a bump in the grass and was knocked away from its original path and into the post, robbing Andover of a certain goal. However, Loomis' attempts to attack through its star player, under-17 Jamaican national team captain Alex Thomas, were also frustrated by the stalwart defending of tri-captain Zac Wang '00 and Alex Bradley '01. Late in the half, Kenly stopped a point-blank header from a Loomis attacker to keep the game scoreless going into halftime.

As the Andover players took the field for the second half, they hoped to continue to exercise their dominance and score a quick goal to take Loomis out of the game. Unfortunately, although the Blue did dominate the half, the team was unable to score. However, Kenly was able to deflect a Loomis shot off the crossbar in the closing minutes of the half to send the game to overtime.

Heading into the "golden goal" overtime, in which the first team to score would take the victory, Andover felt confident in its ability to defend against the Loomis offense and launch effective counterattacks of its own. Unfortunately, the Blue suffered what was quite possible its first defensive breakdown of the game when a Loomis defender played a long ball up the right sideline to a teammate, who, in a single quick motion, trapped the

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Andover Co-Captain Scott Darci '01 fights for the ball during the team's last minute loss to Loomis, Saturday.

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ball and turned the corner to run up the endline. After a few quick touches to draw the Andover defenders toward him, the Loomis attacker played a ball across the face of the goal to the far post, where his teammate tapped it in to end the game and steal the victory away from the Blue. Despite the loss, however, Andover clearly demonstrated it could play with the best teams in New England and, as a result, looked forward to its next match, Wednesday at Holderness.

After the nearly two-hour long bus trip north to Holderness, New Hampshire, Andover began the game eager to continue the momentum it had gained from its impressive performance against Loomis. Early in the game, Andover did just that, playing the ball to wing midfielder Taggart and forwards Gerber and Darci outside and then crashing players towards the net to finish their crosses.

This strategy payed off early for the Blue when Taggart crossed a ball from the left side of the field to Gerber, who finished it to give Andover the early lead. Defensively, the Blue midfielders, led by the aggressive play and hustle of tri-captain Dapo Babatunde '00 and Bronson McDonald '02, dominated, especially in the air, where Babatunde won nearly every head ball. However, despite the Blue's impressive performance, it was unable to add to its lead and did yield some offensive opportunities to Holderness' flank players, requiring Kenly to make a diving save to preserve the 1-0 halftime margin.

Opening the second half determined to finish Holderness off, the Blue scored quickly when Gerber headed in a high Darci cross from the right side of the field. Soon afterward, Kenly blasted a punt over nearly everyone's head, springing Darci on a breakaway, which he finished by chipping the Holderness goalie.

Unfortunately, Holderness was able to slowly chip away at Andover's 3-0 advantage, beginning with a phantom obstruction call on Wang just outside the Blue eighteen-yard box. Goalkeeper Matt Hedstrom '00 was able to dive to deflect the ensuing free kick off the post, but, unluckily for Andover, a Holderness player was there to tap in the rebound. Then, Holderness cut the lead to one when a defensive lapse allowed a quick Holderness forward to walk in alone on Hedstrom.

However, Andover quickly regrouped and, thanks to an amazing Kenly save where he elevated between three Holderness players and fought through being sandwiched to reach and hold on to a cross, was able to hold on for the victory.

"Judging by these impressive performances, all we need to do is clean up a couple of minor mistakes and we'll be in a position to win the New England championship," observed Hedstrom. The Blue [illegible] the next step towards this goal when they [illegible]

Co-Captain Zac Wang '00 drives past a Loomis defender Saturday

Athlete Of The Week

J.B. Gerber '00

"His smart and unselfish play makes him a dangerous threat to any defense. It is an honor to play beside someone of his ability."

—Scott Darci '01

by Alan Ginsberg
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After leading the boys' varsity soccer team to a 3-2 victory over Holderness with a two goal performance, post-graduate J. B. Gerber is this week's Athlete of the Week.

J. B., who has lived in Davis, California, all his life with his parents and sister Elizabeth, began playing soccer at age five when he, like "every other kid in Davis", joined the American Youth Soccer Organization (AYSO) and began playing for a local team.

Gerber played for that team until he was 9, at which point he joined a California Youth Soccer Association (CYSA) club team called Cosmos 90. He played for that team until he was eighteen, competing year-round in one tournament each month and in league games for the other three weeks every month.

When it came time for him to attend high school, Gerber decided to forgo Davis High School and matriculate at Jesuit High School in Sacramento, California, because of its superior athletic program and the better education it offered. During his freshman year there, J. B. played on the junior varsity team, leading the team to an undefeated record. For his efforts on the field, Gerber was named both the team's most inspirational player and its most improved one.

Before his sophomore year, Gerber, having grown tired with the forty minute commute to Jesuit, decided to return to the Davis public schools and attend Davis High. There, because he had transferred from another school, he had to sit out a year before playing varsity soccer. However, he played on the junior varsity team, being named both captain and most valuable player.

The next year, Gerber's junior season, he immediately won a starting position on the varsity team as a forward/outside midfielder. After scoring eighteen goals and garnering twenty-five assists in leading the team to an undefeated regular season and a league championship, J. B. was named both a member of the All-Delta League first team and an All-Area Honorable Mention. Unfortunately, there was a disappointing end to the season for J. B., as Davis lost to Jesuit in the quarterfinals of the post-season tournament.

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During his senior season, Gerber looked to continue the success of his junior year. Starting at forward, he scored twenty-eight goals and earned sixteen assists, leading the team to another undefeated season, a league championship, a sectional championship, and a national ranking as high as eleventh. For his superior accomplishments during the season, J. B. was named to both the All-Delta League and the All-Area first teams.

During his senior year at Davis, J. B. decided he could use another year of preparation for college, as well as another year of high school athletics. In addition, he wanted to experience the east coast to see if he wanted to go to college here. As a result, he applied to and eventually decided to matriculate at Phillips Academy.

From the very beginning of this soccer season, J. B. has had to overcome adversity in the form of a severe ankle contusion he suffered at Team Prep Camp at the end of the summer. However, now that he finally appears healthy, Gerber is beginning to become one of the leaders of the team. In the team's first game, against Loomis-Chaffee, Coach Bill Scott placed J. B. at outside midfielder to allow him to use superior one-on-one skills to take on Loomis' weaker outside players. Then, against Holderness, J. B. moved to forward and scored two goals off crosses, one with his foot and one with his head, to lead the team to an important 3-2 victory. Drawing from these impressive performances, the team is hoping Gerber will be able to use his skills to help the squad advance deep into the post-season. As tri-captain Dapo Babatunde '00 puts it, "Gerber's ability to burn people off the dribble is vital to the team's success this year." Tri-captain Scott Darci '01 seconds Babatunde's compliments: "J. B. is a hard worker and has foot skills unparalleled by anyone I've ever seen," he says. "His smart and unselfish play makes him a dangerous threat to any defense. It is an honor to play beside someone of his ability."

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In addition to soccer, J. B. has been playing basketball since, when he was in fourth grade, a coach from an elementary school near Gerber's watched him play on the playground and was so impressed that he asked Gerber to play for his school. J. B. did, playing in the school rec. league when he was in the fourth, fifth, and sixth grades.

Once Gerber moved up to Emerson Junior High School, he played for the seventh- and eighth grade teams there. Then, at Jesuit, J. B. led the freshman team to an undefeated record. After transferring to Davis, J. B. became captain of the junior varsity team as a sophomore. The next year, he moved up to varsity, backing up the starting point guard. Unfortunately, J. B. missed half of his senior season due to a broken collarbone he suffered in the semifinals of the post-season soccer tournament. However, he hopes to be able to play basketball this year and wipe away some of the disappointment of his injury.

Outside of athletics, J. B. fulfilled many roles at Davis High. He was the senior class president and social commissioner, meaning he organized rallies and planned barbecues and other social events. In addition, he was a peer helper and a conflict manager, demonstrating his concern for his fellow students.

Looking towards the future, J. B. definitely wants to play soccer in college and is considering playing basketball as well, if he goes to a Division 3 school. Although he does not currently have a first-choice school, he is interested in both Ivy League and N. E. S. C. A. C. schools. Despite his uncertainty about either a major or a career choice, judging from his accomplishments thus far, there is very little doubt that J. B. will succeed in whatever field he eventually chooses.

Boys' Soccer Bests Tabor 2-0 In Scrappy, Hard-Fought Road Win

by Alan Ginsberg and James Kenly
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Andover	**2**
Tabor	**0**

Coming off Coach Bill Scott's 100th victory of his Phillips Academy coaching career, a 3-2 win over Holderness, the boys' varsity soccer team traveled to Tabor on Saturday looking to start Scott on his way to his 200th.

Optimism ran high among the team members after their impressive offensive performance at Holderness, and the general feeling on the bus was that nothing less than a win over Tabor would be acceptable. To get psyched up for the game, the boys watched a videotape of a European professional soccer game between Manchester United and FC Barcelona on the ride to Tabor. Just as the bus entered Marion, a Manchester United forward scored an amazing goal, flicking the ball behind his back and past the goalkeeper, leaving the boys energized just as they left the bus.

Andover's starting lineup needed alteration prior to the game due to the absence of Bryan Haughom '01, who was suffering from strained ligaments in his knee. Ably replacing Haughom at right back was novice defender Ian Taggart '01, whose left midfield slot was in turn filled by post-graduate Joe Conlon.

"I'm glad there was someone with Taggart's ability available to fill in for me," said Haughom. "He played real solidly, but I'm still looking forward to coming back against Choate."

Right from the game's opening whistle, the Big Blue came out strong, keeping the Tabor defense on its heels throughout much of the game and forcing the Tabor goalkeeper to make seventeen saves.

Midway through the first half, Andover finally scored when central defender Alex Bradley '01 stepped up to win the ball near midfield and carried it up the left flank before hitting a picture perfect, forty-five yard cross to central midfielder and Tri-Captain Dapo Babatunde '00, who knocked the ball back in front of the net. There, forward Sean Scott '00, emulating the brilliance exhibited by the Manchester United forward in the pre-game video, flicked the ball behind his back and past the goalkeeper before Tabor knew what had happened. The goal's similarity to the one they had seen on the bus just minutes earlier sent the Andover players into a frenzy. As Brendan Pytka '00 commented, "Sean's amazing goal was obviously inspired by watching the Manchester United-FC Barcelona game on the bus."

Minutes later, midfielder Justin Pytka '00 crossed a ball in front of the net, allowing Babatunde to run onto it and slip it by the Tabor goalkeeper and into the goal, giving Babatunde his Brendan Pytka '00 commented, "Sean's amazing goal was obviously inspired by watching the Manchester United-FC Barcelona game on the bus."

Minutes later, midfielder Justin Pytka '00 crossed a ball in front of the net, allowing Babatunde to run onto it and slip it by the Tabor goalkeeper and into the goal, giving Babatunde his first goal of the season and Andover a seemingly commanding two-goal lead. However, a few defensive lapses by the Blue allowed Tabor some quality scoring chances prior to halftime, indicating the game was far from over. Left back Kyle Preman '00 observed,

"In our eagerness to attack, we started pushing people forward and getting caught up the field. As a result, we gave Tabor some good opportunities to score. We were lucky to escape the first half with our shutout intact."

Luckily, Andover picked up its work rate for what proved to be at the very least a scrappy second half. This improvement was thanks in part to the exceptional play of Brendan Pytka, whose defender was quoted as saying after the game, "My legs are tired. I've never fallen down so many times in my life!" Other than Pytka's play, however, the half was marked by relatively uneventful and ugly soccer.

Nonetheless, the Big Blue stepped off the bus content with its two recent wins and looking optimistically towards an intense week of training (the St. John's game originally scheduled for Wednesday was cancelled) and mental preparation for what promises to be a great game against Choate tomorrow — so please come down and support the team at 3:30!

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Boys' Soccer Falls to Choate 4-0; Demolishes Bridgton Academy 8-0

by Matt Hedstrom and Mike Tonelli
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITERS

Choate	4
Andover	0

Andover	8
Bridgton	0

Coming off a win over Tabor last week, the home team attempted to carry the momentum into this week, but was stopped squarely by a stronger Choate team. However, the boys in blue bounced back with an exhibition win over the alumni and a dominating victory over an overmatched Bridgeton Academy team.

The game began with even play as Andover successfully drew Choate's talented sweeper out of the center of the field, but the contest soon shifted in Choate's favor as it, with talented South African and Jamaican imports, was able to shut down the Andover offense and prevent it from creating quality scoring opportunities. In contrast to Andover's inability to score, Choate capitalized on its offensive chances through consistent play and a disciplined plan of attack. A sprinting Choate striker was able to beat goalie James Kenly '01 to a loose ball thirty-five yards from the goal after an attempted clear and slip it into the net. The Blue tried to stick to its game plan of taking the ball outside – away from Choate sweeper Jason Griffiths – and serving crosses back to the middle, but soon began to force the ball into the center of the field, where the Choate players were able to control the flow of the game. A well played first half ended with the Blue only trailing 1-0, but it became evident towards the end of the half that Choate was beginning to outplay Andover.

The second half yielded more bad news for the Blue. In an unfortunate play early in the second half, tri-captain central defender Zach Wang '00 was forced to play a goal kick prematurely while fellow defender Kyle Preman '00 was tying his shoe. The goal kick landed on the foot of a Choate striker and eventually found its way into the back of the net after a two on none against Kenly. From then on, Andover's scoring chances became few and far between as Choate ran with the momentum of its second goal and placed two more shots into the net from inside the eighteen. Andover, however, did have some scoring chances, but it was unable to capitalize as shots flew over the net.

Justin Pytka '00 seemed as dumbfounded about the final result as many of the other players and fans, saying, "I want to be able to say something, but I just don't know what happened." The very talented Choate team outplayed Andover on this day, but the four goal shutout does not reflect fully the play of the Blue. But for a few mental mistakes at key times and mid-game ankle injuries to tri-captain midfielder Dapo Babatunde '00 and Preman, the Blue would not have been forced to take risks to tie the game and the outcome may have been very different.

Many players replaced their normal Sunday morning spot in bed with a place on the soccer field. With the previous day's loss to Choate still fresh in their minds, the Blue players came out determined to upset the highly favored Old Blue. Recent alumni Chris Kane '99, Piercarlo Valdesolo '99, Mike Pierog '99 – all three now playing varsity for Amherst College; Nick MacInnis '99, Brandon Havener '99, Halsey Coughlin '99, and Conor Cooper '99 were joined by old favorites Richie Powell '97, Reggie Theus '93, and the game's organizer, Lex Carroll '91. The alumni team started the veteran players, reserving the recent Andover graduates for later in the half, but the current players were unable to capitalize. Playing a strong game, the alumni took the lead in the early minutes, courtesy of a knuckling, left-footed blast by Theus. At the beginnning of the second half, the current Andover players capitalized on the slightly older members of the Andover alumni as James Kenly '01 and Alan Ginsberg '00 contributed goals. The alumni relied upon the firepower of Valdesolo and Theus

Andover had its way with the Bridgton players, controlling the ball with quick passes and well placed sends through balls. Bridgton seemed unable to hold the ball for even a few seconds before the swarming Andover defense took it back. The Blue put this game away within the first ten minutes, peppering the the Bridgton defense, which yielded seven goals in the first half. Forward Sean Scott '00 scored two, using his speed to beat the slower Bridgton defense; other goals were scored by forward Scott Darci '01, off a corner kick from post-graduate J. B. Gerber, right back Ian Taggart '01, Justin Pytka '00, off the rebound of a blast from Emerson Sykes '01, forward James Ford '02, and Gerber.

Andover came out in the second half hoping only to hold the lead without running up the score. Matthew Hedstrom '00 replaced Kenly in the net, allowing him to play the field. With his new found opportunity, Kenly took no time in grabbing his piece of the glory. He laced a shot into the upper ninety; well, actually the goalie bobbled into the goal, but he still scored.

Andover's play in this game can be summed up in one quote from Bryan Haughom '01, "I just have one thing to say: domination, baby."

The Blue looks to continue its run towards a New England championship against conference rival NMH in a week and a half. The road has become slightly more difficult now with the loss to Choate, but the boys displayed their resiliency this week. With focus, hard work, improvement, and a little bit of luck the Andover boys' soccer team will have a succesful season and, maybe, contend for the title.

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Sean Scott '00, pictured above against Choate, scored two goals in Wednesday's thrashing of Bridgton.

BOYS' SOCCER DOMINATES COLLEGE FOES; DEFENSE EMERGING AS BACKBONE OF TEAM

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Andover	4
Harvard JV	2

Andover	5
Babson JV	0

After an impressive win over Bridgton Academy last Wednesday, the boys' varsity soccer team was prepared to take on Babson College's junior varsity team last Saturday. Despite getting stuck in traffic on the ride, the squad started out strong against its collegiate opponent. Forward Sean Scott '00 got the Blue rolling with the first goal; the assist came from central defender Alex Bradley '01 who, after winning a tackle in the backfield, knocked a 45-yard knuckler to send Scott in alone. Tri-captain midfielder Dapo Babatunde '00 also scored, knocking in a rebound of a shot by Justin Pytka '00. J.B. Gerber '00 notched a header goal and an assist in the match, showing last year's post-graduate center midfielder Matt Kersker (who was practicing with the Babson varsity on the adjacent field) what a P.G. year is all about. Tri-captain Scott Darci '01 completed the scoring, finishing after a wall pass with Gerber and then getting his second goal by converting a penalty kick after he was taken down in the box. A goalkeeping switch was made at half-time, allowing Matt Hedstrom '00 to strut his stuff, although e was relatively untested.

Hedstrom was a star for the junior varsity team against Masconomet Regional High School on Tuesday, filling in for Harris Ackerman '01 who was red-carded in the previous game. Hedstrom made a strong showing in the match, yet Masconomet left the field with a 3-2 victory.

After a long, two day rest, the Andover boys came to practice Monday and Tuesday reinvigorated. The weather on Wednesday was ugly to say the least, consisting of driving drizzle and cold temperatures. The Blue was forced to play on the junior varsity field to save its field for the big NMH game on Saturday at 1:45 P. M. Despite the poor weather conditions, which prevented the teams from playing an attractive style of soccer, the boys proved themselves mentally and physically prepared to take on a physically much larger Harvard University junior varsity squad. Andover was on fire right from the get-go, winning balls all over the field and dominating physically.

The Blue repeatedly played flighted balls behind the Harvard defense, and scored first when Gerber hit a corner kick to Bradley, who brought it down and deftly beat the goalkeeper. Justin Pytka '00 also had a huge game, netting two goals. His contributions this season have helped the team tremendously. On another corner kick, Darci was able to net a loose ball and raise the Andover tally to four. Two goals were scored against the Big Blue, the first of which can be credited to the striker who finished it with a tremendous volley that scooted by the Andover goalkeeper. However, the second goal was an unimpressive tap-in of a rebound. James Ford '02 made a strong appearance, unluckily hitting the post, and cheerleading awards go out to David Hartley '00, left back Vikas Goela '01 and Ian Taggart '01, who were on the D.L. for Wednesday's game.

The boys' soccer team has proven formidable this week and has regained much needed confidence in its defeats of two collegiate teams. Although the wins do not count towards the tournament, both have been vital to the morale of the team, as the players go into Saturday's game against NMH with enthusiasm.

Looking towards this important game, the team draws confidence from the recent play of its defense, led by Bradley and tri-captain Zac Wang '00. Originally reluctant to give up his position in the midfield for a defending role, Bradley has accepted his new position and is beginning to develop the ability to dominate a game. Bradley's emergence, coupled with the consistent and often spectacular play of fellow former midfielder Wang, has

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given Andover one of the strongest central defense combinations in the league. Surrounding Bradley and Wang, Goela, Bryan Haughom '01, left back Kyle Preman '00, right back Emerson Sykes '01, and Marc Ward '01 have proven to be steady defenders who can also attack up the flanks, rounding out a cohesive and solid unit that continues improving with every session.

If your parents are looking for a good time this Saturday around 1:45, bring them down to the varsity field where your Blue faces off against NMH. This match, along with the ones against Deerfield and Exeter, is one of Andover's three games in the annual Dunbar Cup (which Andover has held for many consecutive years, knock on wood) so come show your support!

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BOYS' SOCCER DEFEATS HARVARD JV, BABSON JV BY COMBINED 9-2 MARGIN

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Bronson McDonald '02 and Co-Captain Dapo Babatunde '00 played exceptionally in both games this week.

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Bronson McDonald '02 drives the ball out of the Andover zone Wednesday against Harvard JV.

Tournament Hopes Dashed as Boys' Soccer Falls 0-2 to NMH

by Matt Hedstrom and Mike Tonelli
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITERS

NMH	2
Andover	0

Tufts	1
Andover	0

Looking to continue their run for a berth in the postseason, the boys in Blue entered this week with some momentum after defeating the Harvard junior varsity squad. However, Andover fell short in two close games, including one against a key conference rival, NMH. All hope is not lost, but the Blue would need to win the rest of their games and receive a lot of help, in the form of the conference leaders losing, to find themselves playing for a New England Championship.

Preserving the condition of their own, rain-soaked field, the Andover boys headed over to tear up the turf of the girls' varsity field at Graves, accompanied by a large crowd due both to the importance of the game and the fact that it was Parents' Weekend.

From the opening kickoff, it became apparent that this was going to be a hard-fought contest between two rivals. The talent-laden NMH team seemed to control the early tempo with crisp passes and well placed through balls creating early opportunities. However, goalkeeper James Kenly '01 and the rest of the Andover defense were able to turn back the NMH offense for awhile. The Blue countered by controlling the flanks, led by post-graduate J.B. Gerber on the left side and Bronson McDonald '02 and post-graduate Joe Conlon on the right. This strategy seemed to work, as Conlon received the ball out wide and set up a cross from forward James Ford '02 that nearly found the back of the net after caroming off a teammate's head.

The teams continued to go back and forth, with NMH controlling the center and producing opportunities up the middle and the Blue wings trying to create scoring chances for the strikers. Ironically, the first goal by NMH was on a poorly defended low cross to the middle, where a forward found himself

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in the right place to force a ball into the back of the net. That temporary mental lapse was all NMH needed to gain momentum toward the end of the first half and turn Andover into a team that looked as if it was lacking motivation.

Andover came out in the second half looking like a different team, realizing its season was depending upon the next forty minutes. Capitalizing on Gerber's excellent one on one skills, the Blue wisely began to play the ball out wide to his feet. Realizing NMH was vulnerable from the wings, Andover began to swing crosses from both sides. This strategy eventually led to the lone Andover goal when Gerber served a brilliant cross to tri-captain midfielder Dapo Babatude '00, who took the ball down off his chest and volleyed it beautifully into the lower left corner of the net with his left foot. However, the momentum this goal gained for Andover was short-lived, as NMH scored its second goal on an unfortunate play. The ball was played into the penalty area, and attempting to corral the knuckling ball, Kenly uncharacteristically lost the handle and dropped it in front of an oncoming NMH striker, who swept the to his left and placed it in the back of the net. Andover, searching for the equalizer, kept with its game plan and, in the closing minutes, missed a few opportunities to even the match. David Hartley '00 had a wide-open chance to even the score after a long ball from left back Kyle Preman '00, but instead shot high. While Hartley would gladly welcome another chance to be the hero, Saturday just was not his or the team's day.

The Blue suffered its first lost to a college team when the Tufts Jumbos outlasted Andover in a 1-0 slugfest. Andover did, however, dominate the second half, trying in vain to place a ball past the Tufts keeper. Instead, though, a few unlucky shots found the clank of metal instead of the rippling of the net.

The first half began with back-and-forth action between the two, well-matched teams. The Blue found early success with long balls over the midfield to players streaking to the corners. Its early efforts, however, were thwarted near the eighteen, where the older and stronger Tufts players were able to throw their wide bodies in front of the ball. On offense, Tufts' size once again became a factor; although its skill level was not as high Andover's, Tufts was able to muscle shots towards the net. On one such play, a Tufts attacker was able to beat the Andover defense to a shot that had rebounded off the left post and slip it into the back of the net for a 1-0 halftime lead.

The Andover boys, determined not to fall in defeat, turned around the pace of the game at the start of the second half, beginning to control the ball and create quality scoring chances while looking as proficient in their ball movement as they had all season. The Blue had chances to even the score on a knuckling shot from tri-captain Scott Darci '01 that hit the crossbar and a McDonald cross that resulted in a glancing header by Sean Scott '00 that just sailed wide. However, the theme that has been omnipresent this season-the Blue's inability to score-remained, and Andover fell, 1-0.

This tough defeat left a sour taste in the players' mouths, and one can be sure that they will fight hard to salvage their season on Saturday against Deerfield, another conference rival. The Blue is feeling a bit of disappointment right now, but any season can be turned around with a sound defeat of Exeter. In the meantime, Andover eagerly awaits the return of a few of its many injured players, and the Blue has gone to its farm leagues to call on the services of a surprise reinforcement-tune in next week to find out his identity.

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BOYS' SOCCER LOSES TWICE

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Alex Bradley '01 looks to pass the ball upfield to Postgraduate J.B. Gerber during Saturday's loss to NMH.

Boys' Soccer Loses to Cushing but Rebounds to Defeat New Hampton

by Alex Kehlenbeck
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Cushing	**1**
Andover	**0**

Andover	**2**
New Hampton	**0**

A week ago, the boys' soccer team stepped onto center stage under the lights on Brothers Field to play league rival Cushing. Nearly eliminated from the postseason tournament, the boys were looking for a strong win to carry them off a disappointing season into the final week and Andover-Exeter weekend. Despite the cold, a large crowd turned out to support the Blue, who got off to a strong start. In the opening ten minutes, Andover unloaded six shots, including a floater from central midfielder Alan Ginsberg '00 that missed the upper left corner by inches and a header from leading scorer forward Sean Scott '00 that hit the crossbar. The boys repeatedly moved the ball from the back quickly up the wings, utilizing post-graduate midfielder J. B. Gerber's explosive speed and incredible ball control. Cushing's defense, which had looked terrible during pregame warm-up, desperately fended off attack after attack. Andover, unable to score, became frustrated, attempting to play several difficult balls that were intercepted. Cushing recovered from its early lethargy and began counterattacking. On one such counterattack, the Blue defense suffered a moment of slight confusion that left one Cushing forward unmarked in the left side of the box. Collecting a ball squirting out of a scramble, the forward lofted the shot of his life over keeper James Kenly '01. The ball looked like it was going to be high, but bent just under the crossbar on the far side of the net, to the dismay of a stunned Andover squad. The half ended with Cushing up 1-0, thanks to this unbelievable bit of luck.

Andover came out of halftime even stronger than it had at the beginning of the game, but its luck had not changed. Both a swerving, outside-of-the-foot blast from midfielder Bronson McDonald '02 and a left-footed volley from tri-captain central defender Zac Wang '00 just missed, as did two direct kicks from within twenty-five yards. "We were raining shots on them," said tri-captain midfielder Dapo Babatunde '00, "but we just kept getting robbed." The game went down to the final minutes with Andover frantically attacking and Cushing desperately defending, but as time ran out, Cushing still led 1-0. This game typified Andover's entire season. The Blue was rarely outplayed by any of its opponents, but it seemed every break was for the worst.

Completely eliminated from the New England Tournament, Andover went out to play a good game and have some fun against New Hampton on Wednesday. Coach Bill Scott started all eleven seniors on the team in what was their final home game ever at Andover. Coming off a rest day on Tuesday, the seniors started slowly, failing to finish several opportunities and allowing several shots on keeper Matt Hedstrom '00, who was forced to make some great saves, including a spectacular dive to his right to save a low rocket. Brendan Pytka '00 played strongly in back, keeping the Blue in the match. After being vehemently criticized by Coach Scott during halftime, Andover came out ready to attend to business and, infused with a little upper skill, was able to break the scoreless tie. Halfway through the second half, tri-captain forward Scott Darci '01 collected a ball on New Hampton's end-line on the left side of the goal and proceeded to perform an unbelievable sequence of moves. Facing away from the goal and with a defender on his back, Darci spun, throwing the defender off and easily avoiding his wild swipe at the ball. With a second defender charging him, Darci allowed the ball to roll up onto his right foot and then lifted it completely over the defender's swing, dropping it down just inside the six-yard box. Now with a clear line to the goal, Darci absolutely smashed a curving shot just under the crossbar, over the New Hampton keeper's futile attempt to save it, and into the side netting. "It was just ill," cried keeper Kenly. "I'm glad he's on my team." Andover's second goal came when Darci again took over in the penalty box. Breaking free of a scramble, he found himself on the six-yard line but with his back to the goal. Popping the bouncing ball up to himself, Darci flipped and banged a superb bicycle kick into the upper right corner, capping a sensational game.

Following Darci's second tally, New Hampton became frustrated and let its anger be known to the boys in Blue. Forward James Ford '02 was fouled in the penalty box after a New Hampton defender apparently decided he had been taking dives. "He said, 'If you're gonna dive, I'll give you something to dive about,'" Ford reported. "I'll take it for the penalty shot." Wang, having moved up to midfield, took the penalty kick, but his low, driven shot was stymied by a brilliant stop. "He put it in the right place," said Ginsberg, "but the keeper just made a great save."

Nonetheless, Andover was able to hold on to preserve the shutout and, more importantly, finish the game injury-free, making it a successful prelude to the squad's contest at Exeter tomorrow.

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Dapo Babatunde '00 and the boys' soccer team beat Exeter and earned a berth in the post-season but fell to Hotchkiss in the first round.

BOYS SOCCER DEFEATS EXETER; LOSES FIRST GAME IN TOURNEY

by Alex Kehlenbeck
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	1
Exeter	0

Hotchkiss	1
Andover	0

Last Saturday, the boys' soccer team traveled with most of the school up to Exeter to take on the Big Red in the back country of New Hampshire. The game was the first contest of the day, and thus started before the busloads of Andover fans, bedecked in blue, arrived to support the boys. By the time they arrived, the Blue was already ahead.

Central midfielder Alan Ginsberg had beaten an Exeter player to a loose ball and tapped it to right midfielder Bronson McDonald '02, who put a shot on net that the Exeter keeper, perhaps feeling the intense pressure of the game, let slip right through his hands. Heartened by Exeter's mistake and bolstered by the now-arrived masses of cheering Andover fans, the Blue looked to put the game away. The Red defense played precise soccer, however, and although Andover brought several balls deep into Exeter's defensive end, the boys were unable to get a clean shot.

The second half began with quick counterattacks by both sides, and Exeter managed to send several balls towards keeper James Kenly '01, all of which he read well and let fly wide. Andover's counterattacks were started by left back Kyle Preman '00, who sent several lofted balls over Exeter's midfield and dropped them just behind the Red defense. Tri-captain forward Scott Darci '01 made quick runs onto these balls, but Exeter's central defenders double-teamed him and delayed him long enough for their midfield to recover.

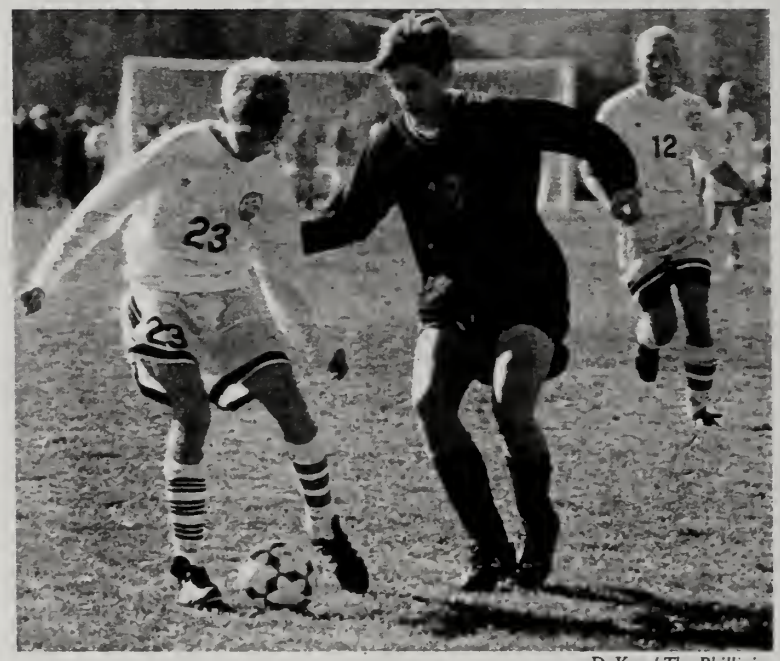
With time running down, Exeter tried desperately to attack, but strong play by the Andover central defenders, Tri-Captain Zac Wang '00 and Alex Bradley '01, who passed the ball between themselves several times under pressure, quickly tired the opposing forwards. The boys held on to win the first game of the day, and what they thought was their last game of the season, by a score of 1-0.

With a record of 7-4, the boys were prepared to accept their winning — but somewhat disappointing — season. On Monday morning, however, the team awoke to a voice mail message from Coach Scott: "We're in! I am totally shocked, but we're still playing soccer!" The league had apparently only invited three teams from the Independent School League, instead of the usual four, and allowed Andover to claim the open spot.

Seeded eighth and slated to play top-ranked and undefeated Hotchkiss, the boys were aware that the odds were stacked against them but jubilant that they would get to extend their season. On Wednesday, they made the long trip down to the neutral site of Loomis to try to capitalize on that chance. Andover went out playing like it had nothing to lose, dominating the center of the field, led by the strong play of Tri-Captain Dapo Babatunde '00. Hotchkiss, perhaps not expecting such strong play from the bottom seed, was slightly flat, and the Blue battled hard for the whole first half, which ended scoreless.

The second half began with continued strong play from the entire team that resulted in several scoring opportunities. Post-graduate J. B. Gerber dribbled through three Hotchkiss defenders and broke in on goal, but his blast toward the near post was stopped by the Hotchkiss goalie's knee. Soon afterwards, Gerber crossed a ball that McDonald flicked just wide of the net with the outside of his right foot. Unfortunately, with ten minutes left, misfortune struck just as it had so many times before. On a free kick just outside of Andover's penalty box, Hotchkiss blasted a shot that was deflected and which ping-ponged around in the crowded box before bouncing to the feet of a Hotchkiss forward on the six-yard box. Kenly, still in position for the free kick, was unable to block the shot, which the forward sent right into the net. Down 1-0, the Blue fought fiercely but could not come up with a goal.

"It was a really close game, but I think we outplayed them," said tri-captain Darci. "We should have won. We were just unlucky. We've worked so hard this season, and put in so much effort but none of it showed because the results just didn't come." The team finished with a final, respectable record of 7-5.



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Dan Côté '02 helps his new team beat Exeter Saturday. Boys soccer earned a surprising spot in the post-season, but lost in the first round.

SPORT: Soccer - Girls

YEAR: 1999-2000

CAPTAIN: Sarah, Cote, Hilary Fitzpatrick
HOME ADDRESS:

MANAGER: Bonnie Oliva, Kavita Sutaria
HOME ADDRESS:

COACH: Elisa Joel
ASSISTANT COACHES:

SEASON RECORD

WON 14 LOST 1 TIED 3

Letter Winners

Bernard, Anne
Blaeser, Carolyn
Butler, Louisa
Checovich, Christina
Cote, Sarah
Eakin, Tenley
Fitzpatrick, Hilary
Harmeling, Ashley
Hayes, Meghan
James, Cassandra
Kelleher, Christina
Krause, Caitlin
Litt, Miriam
Miller, Lauren
Moulten, Renee-Jean
Sutaria, Kavita
Takvorian, Katherine
Tsai, Migina
Turco, Molly
Witman, Katherine
Woodin, Heather
Zukerman, Alexandra

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Thurs. Sept. 16, 1999	(A)	Brooks (scrimmage)	not reported		
Wed. Sept. 22, 1999	(H)	St. Mark's (scrimmage)	6	0	
Sat. Sept. 25, 1999	(H)	Loomis-Chaffee	2	2	
Sat. OCt. 2, 1999	(A)	Tabor	3	0	
Wed. Oct. 6, 1999	(H)	Noble & Greenough	0	0	
Sat. Oct. 9, 1999	(H)	Choate	0	1	
Wed. OCt. 13, 1999	(A)	Middlesex	6	0	
Fri. Oct. 15, 1999	(A)	Tufts	2	0	
Wed. Oct. 20, 1999	(H)	Thayer	6	2	
Fri. Oct. 22, 1999	(H)	N.M.H.	6	0	
Wed. Oct. 27, 1999	(H)	St. Paul's	4	0	
Sat. Oct. 30, 1999	(A)	Deerfield	2	2	
Wed. Nov. 3, 1999	(A)	B.B.N.	2	1	
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Wed. Nov. 10, 1999	(A)	Winsor	6	1	
Sat. Nov. 13, 1999	(A)	Exeter	1	0	
Wed. Nov. 17, 1999	(H)	Deerfield	3	0	
		NEPSWSA Class A Tourament			
Sat. Nov. 20, 1999	(A)	Loomis-Chaffee	1	0	
		Nobles	4	3	OT

Offensive Outbursts Rally Veteran Girls' Soccer Team Past Opponents

by Austin Arensberg
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	4
Milton	2
Andover	6
St. Mark's	0

GIRLS SOCCER

After defeating Milton and St. Mark's in back-to-back scrimmages, the girls' soccer team stands poised for a good season.

After not making the New England Championships and losing to Exeter last year, tryouts began with many returnees ready to improve on last year's mediocre performance. This fall the girls are prepared to sacrifice all to get a shot at winning New Englands and regaining the title.

Andover's commanding 4-2 win over Milton was the starting point for a great preseason. The girls were led by Coach Pimentel's remarks about focusing on each game and keeping a level head. Captain Sarah Côté '00 is a strong believer in Pimentel's hope of having short-term goals, and keeping the team's over-confidence from years before at bay.

Pimentel's early hopes were rewarded as the team raced through the first half showing a new focus unseen in past years. However, Milton's intensity in the first five minutes of the game led to a breakdown of the Andover defense as Milton scored with ease on a blistering attack. Nevertheless, Andover's persistence and focus paid off as it pulled away with an unanswered two-goal run leading up to the second half.

Milton's strong offense and relatively good midfield kept Andover on the wings, forcing it to play to Milton's speed. Although the second half was clearly dominated by Milton's possession, the girls were able to squeeze past the Milton defense for two more goals and rack up twenty-five shots, forcing Milton's goalie to make seventeen saves. The dominating and intimidating offense Andover has exhibited thus far will prove to be hard to contain for the competition.

Unfortunately, Andover suffered a tough loss in the early minutes of the Milton game when potential starter Tenley Eakin '02 injured her knee off a cross. Although it is unknown when she will return, the team is confident in its ability to fill her position — and rightfully so, as the team is very deep this year. With back-up goalie Louisa Butler '02 showing promising improvements from intense summer work and a strong bench aided by the arrival of two new freshmen, the team has the opportunity to rest starters without risking potential goals scored. As returning Coach Pimentel states, "We intentionally kept a bigger team this year for the future and to balance the loss of the seniors next year. They will progress as the team does throughout the year." The bench will be key in facing the tough competition of archrival Exeter and powerhouse schools Loomis-Chaffee and B B & N.

As new freshmen and developing talent grow into reliable reserves for the team this season, the new starting sweeper, post-graduate Renee Multon, has shown great talent in winning many loose balls and a commanding ability to pass around pesky offenses. With her speed and the rest of the defense showing a determined eager-

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E. Thornton/ *The Phillipian*

Co-Captain Sarah Côté '00 drives past a Milton defender during Saturday's Andover victory over the defending New England champions.

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Potent Offense, Deep Bench Spur Girls' Soccer in Early Season Win

ness to force the ball out of their defensive zone, it will be quite difficult to give much hope to opposing offenses this upcoming season.

Although Wednesday's 6-0 shutout of a weak St. Mark's team seemed to be a hand-me to those watching,, the team showed much improvement from its early slump against Milton. The girls quickly got their heads in the game and fought off what little offense St. Mark's threw at them. With only one shot against it in the first half, Andover moved to a two-touch style of play and continued to show the characteristics of their dominating play. Nearly all of the 50-50 balls were won by Andover; giving St. Mark's few transitions to offense. However, Andover's continued running and good passing led to two more goals in the last half and capped off a humiliating visit for St. Mark's.

Thus far in the season, the girls have proven their ability to play strong games and come back from minor problems early on. The team's depth and drive to surpass last year's decent finish have the girls ready to begin a new season marked by their own stellar achievements. As goalie Anne Bernard said after the Milton win, "It was really satisfying after pulling away from the pressure".

It seems this year they will be the ones giving out the pressure.

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Katie Witman '00 maneuvers around a Milton defender in last Saturday's 4-2 scrimmage victory.

Girls' Soccer Remains Unbeaten; Ties Loomis, Thrashes Harvard JV

by Tim Daniels
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	**5**
Harvard JV	**0**

Following a 2-2 tie against Loomis-Chaffee on Saturday, the girls varsity soccer faced another test on Tuesday, when it faced a gutsy Harvard JV team. Eager to improve on the outcome of the previous contest, the Blue came out to the field ready to play a tough game.

The action was fast right from the first kick off. Despite its long bus ride, the Harvard squad started out strong. Andover, however, was too much for the Crimson players to handle. Ashley Harmelig '00 added two goals in the 5-0 trouncing. Alex Zuckerman '01 and Renee Moulton '00 each scored one. Cassie James '00 added one goal on a penalty kick.

The Andover girls' soccer team was aided in its victory over Harvard by the stellar play of its defensive unit. The backfield players put forward strong performances throughout the game, as is evident by the shutout. The squad was also pleased to notice the skillful play of the team's newcomers. Moulton, Kate Witman '00, Carolyn Blaeser '03, Christina Kelleher '02, Christina Checovich '02, and Kate Takvorian''03, all new additions to the Andover team, came out very strong in their debut game at Andover. Their effectiveness on the field foreshadows a promising season of soccer for the Big Blue. When asked about the game, Moulton said, "We came together as a team instead of playing as individuals."

The soccer team's goaltender also put forth a strong start to the season. Anne Bernard '00 played extremely well in the match against Harvard. Serving as the foundation for the team's defensive core, Bernard will surely help guide her team throughout the season. Her experience and presence of mind on the field make her a pivotal piece to the squad's gameplan. The girls look to continue their strong play at home against Noble & Greenough on Saturday at 3:00.

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Girls' Soccer Remains Unbeaten With 3-0 Win Over Tabor, Frustrating 0-0 Tie Vs. Nobles; Improves to 4-0-2 Record

by Tim Daniels
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	3
Tabor	0

Andover	0
Nobles	0

Following a 5-0 blowout against Harvard JV last week, the Andover girls' varsity soccer team hoped to keep up its momentum on Saturday, when it faced a tough squad from Tabor Academy. Tabor, known for its large number of potent senior players, presented a difficult challenge for the Blue to overcome. Andover was prepared for a tough contest.

The girls took control of the game from the very beginning. Molly Turco '00 struck first for her team just a few minutes into the first half. She was set up by a beautiful pass from teammate Ashley Harmeling '00. Harmeling added one herself just a few minutes later. From there, the Blue defense was too tough for Tabor as the Seawolves were unable to mount a sustained attack.

Andover entered the second half of the game with a 2-0 lead and continued to dominate. Bad officiating midway through the half, which could have demoralized the team, only made the Blue play stronger. With several minutes remaining in the game, Sarah Cote '00 scored her team's final goal, which sealed the 3-0 victory.

On Wednesday, Andover faced Nobles in a tight contest. Despite the bus ride, the opponent came out to the field fired up and ready for a tough game.

The Blue was taken aback by Nobles' first-quarter tenacity. As a result, the visiting team had the advantage throuhgout the first 45 minutes. Although the score was tied at zero, the Nobles players controlled the flow of the game throughout the first half. Andover used the half-time break as a chance to gather its composure and take control of the game.

The Andover girls started the second half of the game in a different form. They were ready to pick up their pace and make up for a slow first half. The Blue's quality of play increased greatly, but was not strong enough to break the scoring drought. The game ended in a 0-0 tie.

Renee Moulton '00 in particular displayed a high level of skill and experience on the field. Her play helped the Blue regroup for the second half of game play. Harmeling also put forth a good showing in the match against Nobles. One of the team's most valuable leaders, Harmeling's presence on the field combined with her knowledge of the game make her a vital element to the squad's success. In addition, Cassy James '00 played extremely well in the tight game against Nobles. Another respected team leader, Cassy is an invaluable asset to the Blue.

Andover was aided in its shutout against Nobles by the superb play of its goalkeeper, Louisa Butler '02. One

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GV SOCCER TEAM STAYS UNBEATEN WITH SHUTOUTS

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of the team's younger members, Butler showed tremendous composure as the foundation element of the Blue's gameplan. Her skill and good decision-making show promise for this season as well as for those to come.

Caitlin Krouse '00, after missing Saturday's game due to injury, came back to play in the game against Nobles. With only a small amount of pain leftover from the injury, Krouse played in near-perfect form. The Blue was pleased to be able to utilize Krouse's speed and refined ball control.

Team Captain Hillary Fitzpatrick '00 was forced to leave the game partway through due to a knee injury. Her absence from the lineup left a huge gap for the Blue to fill. Fitzpatrick's teammates hope to see her back on the field as soon as possible.

The Andover girls' soccer team hopes to continue its undefeated season in its upcoming game against games against Choate on Saturday and Middlesex on Wednesday.

Postgraduate Sweeper Renee Moulton '00 clears the ball out of the Andover zone in Saturday's win over Tabor.

INJURY, 1-0 LOSS PLAGUE GIRLS' SOCCER; TEAM REBOUNDS WITH 6-1 MIDDLESEX WIN

hoate	1
dover	0

dover	6
ddlesex	1

"We just couldn't put the ball in the net," summarized girls' varsity soccer captain Hillary Fitzpatrick '00. "We had so many chances, Cassie [James '00] even hit the post."

The girls knew that Saturday's home game against Choate would be tough for the promising squad of 1999. As the undefeated New England Champions, the Choate players had not faced the Andover Blue in two years. Last year's match was rained out, and Andover stole the win in '97 after a shoot-out in the New England Championship quarter-finals. The team was charged with energy, especially excited to beat this elusive contender in honor of four year varsity player and Co-captain Fitzpatrick . Having torn her ACL in last Wednesday's game against Nobles, the "backbone of the team" is confined to cheering on the sidelines for the remainder of the season along with striker Tenley Eakin '02, who suffered the same injury in the first scrimmage of the season.

The Blue started out tentatively, wary of the opposition and its notoriously aggressive hockey-player goalie. A half-time psych-talk inspired Andover to dominate the game for the entire second half. But despite 24 shots on goal, 9 of which were created by offensive standout Ashley Harmeling '00, a lucky chip to finish a breakaway at the end of the first half was just enough to seal the win for Choate, 0-1. Goalie Anne Bernard '00 came off her line to resist the oncoming striker, but was unable to block the floater from 20 yards out as it soared over her head and bounced into the net. "It was exactly what she should have done," affirmed fellow goaltender Louisa Butler '02. "It definitely wasn't her fault."

Luck was certainly not in the numbers on Saturday when, with ten minutes to go, postgraduate Renee Moulton, reinjured a wounded knee, landing her on the bench and possibly even in the operating room. With Fitzpatrick and Moulton expunged from the defensive lineup, Andover suddenly seems thin in the back. However, Coach Lisa Joel is confident that younger teammembers Christie Checovich '02 and Kate Takvorian '03, along with Miriam Litt '00, "one of the best sweepers in the league," are strong enough to cover the holes in the defensive zone.

A 6-1 victory against Middlesex on Wednesday certainly dispelled any concerns regarding the strength of the Andover team. A spectacular corner kick, first headed by Heather Woodin '01 and headed into the back of the net by Caitlin Krause '01, launched an offensive attack which brought the score to 4-0 at the half. Krause had two goals, and both Harmeling and Alexandra Zuckerman '01 put shots in the back of the net. A free kick from about 20 yards out put Middlesex on the scoreboard, but two additional Andover goals, fired by Harmeling and James on a fantastic breakaway, secured the win for the big Blue.

"We finally corrected our scoring problem," commented Coach Lisa Joel, after two previous shutout games. "But we are still struggling with using the outside wings and keeping our shape." The defensive shortage remains a burden as well; although first-time starter Katie Witman '00 played a great game at stopper, the varsity girls are still searching for "the right defensive combination." Even star striker Harmeling took a turn in the back four. Goalie Louisa Butler played an aggressive game, stepping up to block four Middlesex breakaways. "She was a real commanding force out there," commented teammate Eakin.

As though they had not yet had enough injuries, Middlesex played a brutal physical game. "I got tripped about eight times," exclaimed high scorer of the evening Krouse. Her sacrifice was well rewarded, however as her attacker received a yellow card after violently throwing Krause to the ground. Checovich also took a bit of a beating, and could be seen afterwards limping slightly with a bruised calf. "I will definitely be able to play on Saturday; I'll probably play tomorrow," she asserted. And thankfully so; another hit to the defensive lineup would not be well received.

Wednesday's game represented a great turnaround for the girls. With renewed confidence in their ability to score, they look forward to their Friday game against Tufts' JV squad.

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Katie Witman '00 maneuvers around a Middlesex defender during Wednesday's 6-1 drubbing.

by Diana Dosik
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	**2**
Tufts' JV	**0**
Andover	**6**
Thayer	**2**

Tufts University may be on a hill but it was certainly a level playing field when the Blue girls' varsity soccer team claimed a 2-0 victory over the Tufts JV. Alexandra Zuckerman '01 scored the first goal unassisted in the first half, and "played her best game of the year," according to Coach Lisa Joel. The second goal, assisted by Caitlin Krause '01, was blasted in by Ashley Harmeling '00, whose drive to score was heightened by the presence of a familiar opponent. Tufts defenseman, sohpomore Megan Burke '98, countered Harmeling everyday in 1998, when Burke played for Phillips Academy. "She had started for us on the defensive line, and is now one of the star players for Tufts' JV squad," enthused Joel. The Blue hit the back of the net yet again, although Krause's beautiful goal was rescinded on an off-sides call. Not much action was reported on the other end of the field, leaving goalie Anne Bernard '00 unemployed in the defensive half. "We basically dictated the play for 80 minutes," asserted Coach Joel.

Still plagued by injuries, Andover made good use of its bench in the scramble against Tufts. With only four subs, players rotated often, giving everyone a lot of playing time. Senior Katie Witman '00 started for the second time this season, proving to be a reliable and versatile player. With PG Renée Moulton's torn ACL, defenders Kate Takvorian '03 and Carolyn Blazer '03 are seeing the field more often, "which is great for the future of the program," claims Joel. Striker Harmeling even had her first taste at sweeper, exhibiting her ability to play anywhere, anytime

One might wonder if PA athletes are really "graduating" when they go to the college level. TIME The Blue varsity destroyed Harvard JV two weeks ago, and Megan Burke's new team at Tufts could not defeat its feeder team, so to speak. However, the college games challenge our varsity players physically, confronting them with bigger, older opponents. University games also don't "count" in terms of the league record, allowing PA to toy with positions and work on plays which may be valuable during the remainder of the season. Although the girls usually play a 4-3-3, confidence in the defense and the freedom to experiment allowed them to try a 3-4-3, pushing up starting stopper Heather Woodin '01 alongside captain Sarah Coté '00. Having just practiced combination plays the day before, this beefed-up midfield pulled off some terrific passing and scoring opportunities. "Our shooting has really improved a lot," commented midfielder Christina Kelleher '02. An added bonus of the college contest is the change in game day; "It was kind of nice to have the weekend off," admitted Lauren Miller '01.

Though rain, mud and a one-goal deficit signaled a gloomy start to the game against Thayer on Wednesday, the faithful Blue came back strong to win 6-2. Scorers Harmeling, Woodin '01, Louisa Butler '02, Cassie James '00, and Krause '01 spearheaded the offensive strike.

The soft, wet ground almost allowed victory to slip through Andover's fingers; Thayer scored a cheap goal through a sloshy defense virtually right off the whistle. It seemed as if the Blues were fighting the elements along with the opposition. Christie Checovich '02 tripped into a full split, and Caitlin Krause hit the ground as well, although she described her move as more of a "70's disco slide."

Despite the weather, PA came right back with alternating goals from Harmeling and Krause, bringing the score to 3-2 at the half. The second half showered even more Blue power, as Butler, James, and Woodin knocked in three more goals. Though the team had several breathtaking breakaways, two goals in particular were most skillfully executed. Butler's goal was a beautiful riser from 35 yards out, off of a rebound from the 18, and Woodin's blast resulted from a perfectly slotted cross aimed by Molly Turco '00.

Defensive updates are starting to take a positive turn, despite PG Moulton's withdrawal from the lineup due to injury. Coach Joel's confidence in the younger players was solidly echoed by fellow teammates after the game. "Carolyn Blazer ['03] is great," enthused sweeper Miriam Litt '00, although she couldn't help adding, "We *really* miss Hill[ary Fitzpatrick '00] and Renée." High-scorer Harmeling even went so far as to exclaim "Carolyn Blazer is my idol!"

It appears that the girls' Varsity soccer team is back on a roll, smoothly winning two games in a row. The Blue is completely enthused for its big contest under the lights tonight against N.M.H., as well as next Wednesday's home game against St. Paul's.

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GIRLS' SOCCER GOES UNDEFEATED ON WEEK; OUTSCORES TUFTS, THAYER 8-2

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Cassie James '00 has consistently shown great play as exhibited during Wednesday's game against Thayer.

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The girl's Varsity soccer team overcame both Tufts' JV and Thayer this week. Ashley Harmeling's '00 goals proved to be extremely helpful.

GIRLS' SOCCER MANAGES TO WIN DESPITE INJURIES

GIRLS' SOCCER GOES UNBEATEN ON WEEK, BEATING NMH AND SPS

by Diana Dosik
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	6
NHM	0
Andover	4
St. Paul's	0

Despite a chilly wind, the biggest crowd of the season bundled up last Friday to see girls' varsity soccer crush N.M.H. 6-0 under the lights. After dominating to no avail for 35 minutes, Heather Woodin '01 broke the ice for the Blue with a goal that would propel the team into a thrilling 20-minute scoring frenzy.

The first half drew gasps and grimaces from a loyal crowd of students and parents as shots ripped through the air, landing just left, right, or beyond the net. As a third shot soared over the soccer goal and through the field-goal posts, Coach Lisa Joel grumbled, "If this were a football game, we would be up 9-0." Finally, with 4:28 minutes to go in the half, Woodin raced up the center to meet a pass from Cassie James '00 and slammed it past the N.M.H. goalie. After a quick team huddle in the goal mouth at half-time, the Blue returned to the field hungry for more. With barely three minutes down, Ashley Harmeling '00 blasted it in from the left side, bringing the score to 2-0. Just six minutes later Harmeling passed the torch to Molly Turco '00, who scored off of a beautiful cross from Alexandra Zuckerman '01. On a roll, Turco returned to the front line to score again with 27 minutes left in the half. Keeping up the rapid-fire action, Caitlin Krause '01 quickly pumped the ball past the goalie, rebounding a near miss by Harmeling. With only ten minutes left to play, Harmeling got another chance, this time smacking the ball against the back of the net. The score board rested at 6-0, and the crowd went wild.

The Blue kept the play in the offensive half for nearly 80 minutes, however Christie Checkovich's '02 aggressive defense toward the end of the game stopped an N.M.H. breakaway which could have destroyed the shutout. Captain Sarah Cote '00 had "one of her best play-making games," according to Coach Joel. James also played a very strong game, assisting the first goal despite ankle injuries which she'd thought would prevent her from playing.

"Yeah, well, I got some tape, and some ibuprofen, and I was all set," commented James postgame. Another motivator for James was her parents' presence in the bleachers, for they were seeing her play high school soccer for the first time in this, her senior season. When the final whistle blew, fans and family spewed from the stands, congratulating the red-nosed players with hugs and brownies. Despite the occasion, the crowd dissipated quickly, including the victorious Blues: "Its freezing!" exclaimed Coach Joel, gripping her winter jacket and pompom hat.

The Big Blue maintained its high level of play on Wednesday, defeating St. Paul's 4-0. Louisa Butler '02 had the only goal in the first half, and scored again in the second along with Krause and Woodin.

PA had a rough time in the first half, although the scoreboard didn't show it. "We just weren't playing well, and we weren't winning any 50-50 balls," explained Krause. The lack of energy was apparently visible from the sidelines, and Coach Lisa Joel certainly let her players know what she saw at half-time.

"We deserved it though," admitted starting sweeper Miriam Litt '00. "It was probably one of our worst halves ever." Determined to pick it up for the second 40 minutes, Andover accelerated its game. Krause faked out the St. Paul's goalie, pushing the score to 2-0. A gorgeous chip from Harmeling floated right into the center for Butler to head into the net. A final success from Woodin sealed the victory for the Blue, bringing its season record to 8-1-2. Goalie Anne Bernard '00 also played an aggressive game.

"[St. Paul's] didn't have many breakaways or anything," PG Renee Moulton accurately assessed. "She did a really good job coming off of her line to block shots."

Everyone on the Blue was happy to attribute the successful finale to another teammate; freshman Carolyn Blazer. However there was no question as to who was the standout of Wednesday's win. The overwhelming response: "Louisa Butler," was echoed by Moulton, Krause, Litt, and James. "She had played a really terrific game, and showed a lot of spirit," enthused Litt.

"Louisa Butler was just awesome," affirmed James. "You don't need a second opinion. Don't go asking anyone else— it was Lou," instructed Krause.

With Andover-Exeter weekend on the horizon, PA teams are silently wondering what's in store from the competition. Girl's Soccer seems to be in good shape, according to Exeter's reaction to the vanquished St. Paul's team. Although Exeter defeated St. Paul's 2-1, Exeter goalie Christina Farrell admitted that St. Paul's was "very good overall it was an equal game." Can we beat Exeter as thoroughly as we beat St. Paul's? Three weeks to find out!

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GIRLS' SOCCER DEFEATS KUA AND WINSOR

TEAM WINS BY COMBINED 9-1

Two Wins Push Record to an Impressive 9-1-3

by Diana Dosik
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	3
KUA	0
Andover	6
Winsor	1

Girls' Varsity soccer braved the long road to KUA last Saturday, emerging with a 3-0 win and a solid seat in the New England Championships.

Despite the cramped bus ride, the Blue "was ready to play," according to Post Graduate Renée Moulton. "We were really focused and got back into our game; everyone played really well." KUA didn't give goalie Anne Bernard '00 much of a workout, although "she did have to make one point-blank save, which she did really well," Coach Lisa Joel enthused. Cassie James '00 had two beautiful goals, while Ashley Harmeling '00 came away with the final score. Harmeling also assisted one of James' goals, as did Captain Sarah Côté '00. Fierce and intense, PA poured out onto the field, scoring all three goals within the first fifteen minutes. Reveling in their stranglehold-"We were at a point where we knew they weren't going to come back," explained Moulton-Andover calmed down and played a

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Girls' Soccer Notches Two Wins

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strong, proficient game. "We spread the field really well, and had some nice passes," observed Joel. Andover's resounding supremacy allowed every blue jersey to see the field ... "One of the highlights of the game was that Carolyn Blaeser '03, Kate Takvorian '03, Christie Checovich '00 got to play a substantial amount of time as our backfield unit," stated the Coach. "They did an outstanding job."

The shut-out victory against KUA helped ease the tension of the last week's more difficult games. The Blue was truly able to concentrate on its passing and spreading the field, and possessed the ball for almost the entire game. "It was a really good game for us, as well as important," explained Coach Joel. "They are a Class C team, and our team knew clearly that we couldn't waver with a win against them." The Blue was also able to exercise its younger players, who will provide the backbone for the team in seasons to come. "Lisa gave a lot of the younger players extra playing time, because they are going to be important next year," affirmed star sweeper Miriam Litt '00, who took some rare bench time while the up-and-coming Blaeser took over the sweeping position.

Maintaining its victorious stride, the Blue soccer team returned on Wednesday with a 6-1 win against Winsor. Dominating for the full 80 minutes, James, Harmeling, and Alexandra Zuckerman '01 turned 6 out of 35 shots into goalie-baffling blasts, with assists from Migina Tsai '00, Molly Turco '00, and Harmeling, respectively. Though an unstoppable shot from 25 yards out slipped behind otherwise-idle goalie Anne Bernard '00, a half-time score of 4-1 reflected Andover's overwhelming strength.

This very sweet victory over Winsor held special satisfaction when the team which knocked Blue out of the championship tournament in '98 walked sulkily from its home field in defeat. "Molly Turco had one of her best games of the year, and Ashley and Cassie played really well up front," gushed Coach Joel. Additional highlights included a beautiful "almost-goal" by Meghan Hayes '00, and, as always, stellar defense in the back four by Miriam Litt '00, Kate Takvorian '03, Carolyn Blaeser '03, and Katie Whitman '00. Hoping to continue the trend of "taking it back," the girls look forward to defeating another team who stole a win from them last season: Philips Exeter. After unanimous victories in the JV circle against the historic rival on Wednesday, girls' varsity soccer prepares to uphold the glory tomorrow afternoon at the annual Andover-Exeter contests.

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Girls' Soccer Advances to Semis

by Diana Dosik
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	**1**
Exeter	**0**

Andover	**3**
Deerfield	**0**

The girls' soccer team won its two most important games of the season this past week, as it narrowly defeated Exeter 1-0 on Saturday and trounced Deerfield 3-0 Wednesday in the first round of the New England playoffs.

Psyched and energized by an entourage of Blue Keys and painted fans, the squad stormed the Exeter fields with the 1-0 win that secured it the #3 seed in the New England Championships.

Andover started out slightly off balance, slipping and tumbling in muddy slides on the unfamiliar fields. However, a beautiful pass in the middle of the first half landed squarely in front of Cassie James '00, who expertly used the outside of her foot to banana-kick the ball into the net, just out of reach of the charging Exeter goalie. It was soon clear, however, that staying on top would be more difficult than getting there, as a dangerous direct kick and a later shot by Exeter from the 18 yard line were both handily thwarted by top notch goalie Anne Bernard '00. Caitlin Krause'01 and Heather Woodin '01 had great chances on goal as well: Krause's shot sailed just over the crossbar with nine minutes left in the half, while Woodin's brilliant move was nipped by Exeter keeper Christina Farrell. Ashley Harmeling '00 created yet another chance for the Big Blue with two minutes to go in the half, but her ball could not find the back of the net and the tension was rising. Moments later, a hush fell over the Blue fans as co-captain Sarah Côté '00 crumpled to the ground with a bloody nose.

The two offensive strongholds kept the anxious crowd well entertained, as rapid-fire shots and crosses from both teams sparked gut-clenching moments on the sidelines. At halftime, the Blue flopped down along the goal line to learn the strategy for the final 40-minute stretch. The importance and desire for this victory were more than evident in Coach Joel's clenched fingers as she gripped her pen and pounded it along her clip-board. Both teams dug in for the second half, despite the slippery ground. At the 19 minute mark a cross from Exeter nearly tied up the contest, but instead produced a shining moment for goalie Bernard. Five more close calls in Andover's defensive end earned the senior keeper the MVP position for this game, although the referees achieved a much lower ranking in the eyes of both teams.

"Aw, what an awful call!" exclaimed a disgruntled Exeter father. "Did this guy forget his glasses or something?" commented another observer. Even when a foul was called against the Blue, frustrated player Louisa Butler '02 shrugged, "at least he's calling something." "We just need to focus," she affirmed moments later. Forward Krause certainly had her eyes on the ball, for it skidded right across the goal line and nearly curved in after she beat the sweeper with 12 minutes left in the game. The crowd gasped and cheered. Another shot by PA bounced off of the post, but the bad shooting luck was shared by both teams as a threatening Exeter offensive fell through with three minutes pending. The shrill scream of the final whistle was drowned out by that of the Andover fans, as well as the players themselves. "It was a really important win for us," explained injured player RenÈe Moulton '00.

Though it seems impossible that any game could be more significant than the Andover-Exeter clash, PA's 3-0 win over Deerfield in the New England quarterfinals carried the squad to the next round of the Championship tournament.

On October 30, the Big Blue tied Deerfield 2-2. All goals were scored in the first 15 minutes, and the remaining 65 minutes were fast and vicious. With that tug of war in mind, an impressive crowd huddled for warmth on the bleachers Wednesday as the Blue girls prepared to play its most important game yet. Continuing a scoring streak which has yielded eight goals in the last four games, high-scorer James put the first one in for Andover. Minutes later, "one of the biggest scoring threats in New England prep school play," Harmeling, slammed the second goal of the game into the net. With a few minutes left in the half, Harmeling won her second goal of the game and sealed the ultimate victory for Andover at 3-0.

As if three torn ACL's were not injury enough, Krause complemented Côté's bloody nose from Saturday with one of her own. Taking a nasty header a little too low on her face, Krause was forced out of the game due to bleeding. She had taken Côté's injury a step further, actually fracturing her nose and following up with a quick trip to Isham after the game. Despite injury, the Big Blue looks forward to the Semifinals of the New England Championship tomorrow afternoon.

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SPORT: Volleyball - Girls

YEAR: 1999-2000

CAPTAIN: Cecile Ferrando & Nicole Salva
HOME ADDRESS:

MANAGER: Colin Penley
HOME ADDRESS:

COACH: Clyfe Beckwith
ASSISTANT COACHES: Marlys Edwards

SEASON RECORD

WON 11 LOST 5 TIED 0

Letter Winners

Ajose, Olubunmi	Penley, Colin
Ferrando, Cecile	Perkowski, Elizabeth
Hartsock, Sydney	Salva, Nicole
Huang, Vivian	Schellenberg, Katheryne
Mistretta, Laura	Siepser, Kelsey
Okike, Christine	Yee, Cynthia
Papanek, Julie	

Girls' Volleyball

			PA	OPP
Thurs. Sept. 6, 1999	(A)	ST. Paul's (scrimmage)	2	3
Sat. Sept. 18, 1999	(H)	Gr. Law. Technical High	3	0
Wed. Sept. 22, 1999	(A)	St. Paul's	0	3
Sat. Sept. 25, 1999	(H)	Loomis-Chaffee	1	3
Wed. Sept. 28, 1999	(H)	North Reading HIgh School	3	1
Sat. Oct. 2, 1999	(A)	Dracut High (scrimmage)	0	3
Wed. Oct. 6, 1999	(A)	Chelmsford (scrimmage)	not reported	
Sat. Oct. 9, 1999	(H)	Choate	3	1
Wed. Oct. 13, 1999	(A)	Cushing	3	0
Sat. Oct. 16, 1999	(A)	Our Lady Of Naz. Wakefield	2	0
Wed. Oct. 20, 1999	(H)	Exeter	3	2
Sat. Oct. 23, 1999	(H)	N.M.H.	1	3
Wed. Oct. 27, 1999	(H)	Cushing	3	0
Sat. Oct. 30, 1999	(A)	Deerfield	3	0
Wed. Nov. 3, 1999	(H)	St. Paul's	3	1
Sat. Nov. 6, 1999	(A)	N.M.H.	3	2
Wed. Nov. 10, 1999	(A)	Worcester	3	0
Sat. Nov. 17, 1999	(A)	Exeter	2	3

SQUAD STATISTICS

NAME & HOME ADDRESS (Home Town)	HEIGHT	WEIGHT	CLASS	POSITION
Christine Okike Boylston, MA			U	Middle Hitter
Vivian Huang Phoenix, AZ			L	Outside Hitter
Cindy Yee Phoenix, AZ			U	Defense
Nikki Salva Captain Wilmington, DE			S	Setter
Katie Schellenberg Pacific Palisades, CA			U	Outside Hitter
Nelson Siegser Westchester, PA			L	Defense
Libby Perkowski New York, NY			U	Middle Hitter
Laura Mistretta New York, NY			S	Outside / weakside } Hitter
Julie Papanek Chicago, IL			U	Setter
Olubunmi Ajose Albany, CA			S	Middle Hitter
Sydney Hardsock Seattle, WA			U	Outside Hitter
Cécile Ferrando Captain Cooperstown, NY			S	Setter

PA VOLLEYBALL SPLITS UP AND DOWN WEEK

BEATS GREATER LAWRENCE Falls to defending N.E. Champs St. Paul's in straight games

by Colin Penley
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	3
Greater Lawrence	0

St. Paul's	3
Andover	0

The girls' volleyball team came back this year with high expectations for its season, despite losing both of its starting middle hitters and three powerful all-around players. After their disappointing tournament loss to Exeter, the girls were determined to perform well this year. Captains Nikki Salva '00 and Cecile Ferrando '00 combined with a strong group of five other returning women and five talented players new to the varsity team to create a volleyball squad with the potential to become a league powerhouse.

Thursday, along with being the first day of classes, marked the start of the volleyball season. The team, fourteen women strong, traveled up to the boondocks (A. K. A. Concord, NH) to scrimmage St. Paul's School. SPS was the tournament and league champion last year and (unfortunately) didn't graduate anyone; so the competition was tough. SPS won the first three games, but the Blue played well and started to learn to work together as a coherent unit. Because it was a scrimmage and the atmosphere was informal, the girls continued on, playing the last two games as practice. Something happened between the third and fourth games because the Andover girls came out ready to kill the other team and there was nothing that St. Paul's could have done to stop the ladies from dominating the next two games. Sadly, along with the exultation of winning the last two games came a sadness in knowing that of the fourteen members on the squad, only twelve would get varsity spots, while two would be cut. The team was sad at the loss of two of its members but forged on in preparation for its game on Saturday

The final two games against St. Paul's lit a fire in the girls that burned through Saturday's game against Greater Lawrence Vocational Technical High School. The team dominated the entire match and won easily in three games 15-4, 15-10, 15-5. Weakside hitter Laura Mistretta '00 later said that she was "impressed that the team [Andover] played up at their level rather than at the [slightly] lower level of [Greater Lawrence]." And outside hitter Vivian Huang '02 was so excited by the win that she could not even find words to express her joy. Huang's reaction was "[Thumbs Up]." Kelsey Siepser '02 and Cindy Yee '01 both had strong back-court performances and saved many balls from hitting the floor. Setters Julie Papanek '01, Salva, and Ferrando all did very well transitioning the ball from defense to offense and generally orchestrating the tempo and level of play.

The girls went into Wednesday's game looking forward to another chance to play the league champions, St. Paul's. After warming up, the team took to the floor ready to play some ball. Huang, Salva, Yee, Sydney Hartsock '01, Christine Okike '01, and Katie Schellenberg '01 all wished the other team good luck and set up to play. Huang started the game right by acing SPS on her first two serves. Bummi Ajose '00, Mistretta, and Ferrando all substituted into the game and played hard. The first game was a battle; the score was close for the whole game, and St. Paul's just managed to win the game by a score of 15-13. The teams switched sides and prepared to enter the fray once again. There was a problem at the beginning of the game with the Andover rotation but, after some debate, the referee realized that he had made a mistake (I guess that some refs can make mistakes. What a shock!!!) St. Paul's quickly jumped to a 14-4 lead. With some tenacity and aggressiveness and a lot of skillful serving by Yee, the girls clawed their way back up to a deficit of only five points, but they just couldn't hold off the powerful serve of St. Paul's setter and best player, Ashley Kim. The Blue lost the next point and the game at 15-9. After the disappointing loss of the second game, despite great play, the girls couldn't get it back together and they lost the third game, 15-1. Although they lost to SPS 3-0, the girls learned a lot about playing as a team, and there were many impressive individual performances by the team members. Again, all the setters did a great job of controlling play, and they have proved themselves to be leaders on the court. Huang, Hardsock, Schellenberg, and Salva and were effective on the attack, mixing up powerful hits with well-placed hits. Ajose prove to be a veritable wall at the net with some important blocks that left the fans flat on the floor with looks of amazement plastered on their faces. Mistretta acted as a protective layer for the floor, never letting a ball hit the wood near her. The team looks forward to Loomis tomorrow at 2:00 in Memorial Gym and can't wait to meet St. Paul's again later this season.

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Volleyball Undefeated on Week by Shutting Down Cushing and Choate

by Colin Penley
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	3
Choate	1

Andover	3
Cushing	0

After an exciting win against Choate and crushing defeat of Cushing, this week proved to be a turning point in the girls' season. The girls showed a lot of heart and really started to come together as a team in the last two games. Bummi Ajose '00 said that "when we are focused we are unstoppable." This sentiment really expresses the way the girls have been playing over the last week. The Blue went into its Saturday game against Choate ready to win. As Laura Mistretta '00 said on the bus home from Chelmsford, "We lost to Choate last year. We have to win this year." And that is exactly what the girls did. After a shaky first game, losing 7-15. The girls came storming back, taking the next three games 15-4, 16-14, and 15-11. The Lady Boars didn't know what had hit them. The team was much more focused than it was in the first game and the score and the utter superiority of the play on the Blue's side of the net reflected this change in concentration. After a slight injury to Christine Okike '01, Sydney Hardsock '01 came of the bench and took over the middle hitter's position. She played very well, dominating play all over the court. Vivian Huang '02 and Katie Schellenberg '01 both added hard, down hits from the left side and back row. Huang also had a great day serving, simply over powering the Choate defense.

After the incredible win against a strong Choate squad, the team was pumped up to play against its next competitor Wednesday afternoon, the girls traveled to western Massachusetts to take on another league opponent, Cushing Academy. The team was mentally sharp and ready to take on the Cushing Penguins. The girls showed beautiful focus and teamwork in the first game by smashing their opponent 15-1. As the match progressed, the focus of the girls started to slip away. They were not able to stay at the same level of focus at which they started, falling closer to the lesser level of play of the Cushing team. They still came out victorious, winning the next two games 15-11 and 15-8. Huang again had a good day serving and hitting. Kelsey Siepser '02 and Libby Perkowski '01 both came off the bench into the game and played well despite having cooled down by sitting for a game and a half. Siepser, Cindy Yee '01, and Cecile Ferrando '00 all played back row, an unglamorous position that involves a lot of defense and very little offense, with grace and skill, keeping the ball of the floor after the net attacks of the Cushing team.

This weekend the team heads off to play Our Lady of Nazareth Wakefield in some inter-league play. But next week will be one of the most important that the girls will face this season. Wednesday the team takes on Exeter in important league play. Then in another important game on Saturday, the Blue will take on the Lady Hoggers of NMH. Both teams are two of the strongest in the league and tend to do well in the post season. Last year the girls split 1-1 with both Exeter and NMH in regular season play and lost in a long, heart-breaking first round tournament game. This year the girls look to improve the splits and avenge the loss to Exeter in the tournament.

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Volleyball Enjoys Best Week of Season Rallies to Beat Exeter 3-2 in Dramatic Fashion

by Colin Penley
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	2
Nazareth	0

Andover	3
Exeter	2

Last Saturday the girl's volleyball team traveled to Wakefield to play the 1998 Catholic Prep League Champion. The Big Blue quickly disposed of the opponent 2-0, 15-11, 15-10. The game was a time for the team to try new rotations and experiment with new combinations of players. In the first game Coach Beckwith began with most of his normal starters, but also gave a few of the newer varsity members a chance to play. For the second game, Beckwith pulled all the squad's seniors to get a look at next year's prospects. And the prospects look good. The combination of setter Julie Papanek '01 and Katie Schellenberg '01 proved successful, with Schellenberg earning 7 kills in the short game, including a game-winning back row smash. Cindy Yee '01 had a chance to move out of the back row and play some front row. Despite her less-than-giant stature, Yee pounded the ball all around the court, denying the other team even a chance to make a play.

On Wednesday that school in the cow pastures of New Hampshire sent a formidable team down to challenge the Blue's prowess on the court. Andover would prove up to the challenge.

The Red got out to a quick start, winning four points on its first serve. The Blue found itself needing to side out the next serve at 14-10. At the prospect of losing the first game and having to dig itself out of a hole, the Blue came together and went on a run of 6 unanswered points. The girls won the first game 16-14, leaving Exeter standing on the court stunned.

The first game proved to be the start of a long seesaw match. Again Exeter came out strong, dominating the first few points of the second game. But again Andover came back into the match. The game went back and forth, both teams fluctuating between brilliant and at other times poor play. The Red and Blue seemed to be on opposite wavelengths; as one started to rise the other began to fall, and vice versa. Again the Blue was down near the end, this time 13-11. Once again the Blue rallied and went on a 5-1 scoring run, taking the set 16-14.

During the third game, the Blue began to lose focus, a problem that has seemed to plague the team throughout the season. The girls of Exeter came storming back, winning the third game 15-12. The girls in Blue took the court hoping to finish the match in four sets. The Exeter team found was up 8 –1 after one rotation and quickly jumped up 10-2. The Blue didn't like being so far behind a team that it could obviously beat, and thus turned on the energy to tie the score at 11-11, capping off a 9-1 scoring run. Unfortunately the Exxies came back to win four of the next five points, again winning 15-12. This tied the game score at 2 – 2 and meant that the match would move into rally scoring. Rally scoring is when every serve counts as a point, not just when the serving team wins the rally. This means that the speed of the game is increased and that getting serves in is very important. In the fifth game Exeter jumped out to a quick 10-6 lead. With a strategic timeout by Beckwith the girls received the ball looking with a 10-7 deficit. A few points later they gained possession again, down 12-13. With three near-perfect serves by co-captain Nikki Salva '00, the Blue topped the Red 15-13. Salva, in addition to her clutch serving, had a banner day with 31 assists and 36 digs. Co-captain Cecile Ferrando '00 also had a great day, defensively putting up many balls that the Red mistook for easy kills. Schellenberg and Vivian Huang '02, as always, provided the team with power and consistency that won many a point. On the whole the team played well and Coach Beckwith was considerably pleased with their performance.

The girls look forward to playing NMH- a team that has already lost twice to Exeter this season- tomorrow in the gym.

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D. Kurs/ *The P*

Height and skill have made Bumni Ajose '00 a great asset to the Varsity squad this year.

D. Kurs/ *The Phillipian*

Co-Captain Nicki Salva '00 bumps the ball during Wednesday's victory over Exeter.

VOLLEYBALL FACES UP AND DOWN WEEK

10/23/99
10/27/99

by Colin Penley
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	3
Cushing	0

NMH	3
Andover	1

During this past weekend, the girls' varsity volleyball team played a talented NMH squad. The Lady Hoggers had a league record of 6 - 2 going into Saturday's match and were ranked in the top 3 in the NEPSAC rankings. The team from Northfield came out strong, but the Big Blue came out stronger. After the win against Exeter, knowing that the Big Red had crushed the Lady Hoggers, the girls were looking forward to the NMH contest. The blue quickly took the first game, 15 - 11. But the girls from Northfield came out of the huddle between the first and second periods swinging. The Lady Hoggers really turned up their hitting, both in power and accuracy. The blue's defense played well, picking up many of the Hoggers attacks, but, in the end, the power of the NMH attack proved to be too much for Andover. The girls from NMH won the next three, well-contested, games 15 - 11, 15 - 12, and 15 - 8. The blue had some great individual efforts but could not quite pull it together as a team. Co- captain Nikki Salva '00 had a season high game with 31 assists, 40 digs, and 3 aces. Katie Schellenberg '01 also had a great game with 35 digs, 23 kills, and 2 aces. Co-captain Cecile Ferrando '00 and Cindy Yee '01 both had good days in the back court racking up many digs between them.

On Wednesday, the girls played Cushing Academy. The girls quickly dispatched the lesser team in three short sets, 15 - 8, 15 - 5, and 15 - 6. Coach Clyfe Beckwith used the games as a chance for some of the newer players to get some game time. Kelsey Siepser '02 had a good day both defensively and behind the service line. Also performing well behind the service line was the powerful trio of Vivian Huang '02, Yee and Ferrando. Julie Papanek '01 had a fine game coordinating the Blue's offensive attack, even using some difficult hitting combination plays. Schellenberg again had a great game with 37 digs, 1 ace, and 21 kills, bring her combined total for the week to 72 digs, 44 kills, and 3 aces. Tomorrow the Blue will travel, to Deerfield in an important league scoring game, the last of the season. It should be a tough challenge for the Blue, but the girls are ready to win.

VOLLEYBALL WINS TWICE, DEFEATING NMH, WORCESTER

TEAM HAS WON 9 OF LAST 10

The Tournament Bound Girls Will Face Exeter Twice This Week

by Colin Penly
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	3
NMH	2

Andover	3
Worcester	0

11/6/99

11/10/99

This week capped an amazing run for the Blue. The girls' volleyball team has won nine of its last ten games and the girls are primed for this weekend's showdown at Exeter. On Saturday, the girls made the long trek to NMH. The team came out flat and quickly lost the first set 15-2. The girls played much better in the second game, winning 15-11. The Lady Hoggers came back on the court to take the third game, 15-11. In the fourth game, NMH couldn't stop the Blue, and it was the Andover's turn to dominate. The girls came in to the fourth game, down 1-2, and proceeded to stomp the Hoggers 15-2. In the fifth game the Blue prevailed and after a long hard fought battle the girls finally came out victorious, defeating the Lady Hoggers, 3 games to 2. Katie Schellenberg '01 had a great game, amassing 43 digs, 27 kills, 3 aces, and 2 blocks in the 5 game marathon. Nikki Salva '00 was an amazing play-starter, as always, leading the day's attack. Laura Mistretta '00 had a tremendous day defensively, picking up many of NMH's futile tip attempts. Cecile Ferrando '00 and Cindy Yee '01 played well behind the line, serving, and covering the court defensively. Both Christine Okike '01 and Bummi Ajose '00 were walls at the net, stopping many of NMHs attacks. On Wednesday, Andover traveled to Worcester. The game was a blow out with Andover out scoring its opponent 45-10 in three games. This game allowed everybody some playingtime. Libby Perkowski '01 stunned the other team with powerful hits from the right side and bullet serves. Sydney Hartsock '01 also played well as an outside hitter. Julie Papanek '00 served well and directed the team's offense with grace and authority. As usual Ferrando, Yee, and Mistretta all served very well, forcing many errors by the Worcester Academy defense with their power. Tomorrow and next Wednesday the team travels to Exeter to play the Big Red and then in a quarterfinal match for the New England Tournament.

VOLLEYBALL SUFFERS TWO HEARTBREAKING END OF YEAR LOSSES TO ARCHRIVAL EXETER

by Laura Mistretta
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Exeter	3
Andover	2

Exeter	3
Andover	2

On Saturday, the girls' volleyball team faced a tough match against Exeter, who they had defeated in a five-set match on their home court a few weeks earlier, knew that they would be faced with a challenge.

The team had its sprits high, and was enthusiastic about the crowd and the intensity that the game would surely bring. The Andover team struggled in adjusting to the cinder-block gym and to its obnoxious fans, losing the first game 15-9. With the help of many blue-faced supporters, the Blue made an incredible come back in a 15-5 win in the second game. The Andover girls started off the third game strong and racked up many points from the start.

But after an Exeter time out, the Exies came back with fire and managed to swipe a few points off the Andover team, which interrupted the momentum. Nonetheless, the Blue fought hard for each point and played some of the most exciting points of the game in the second half of the third match. It took the girls a whole rotation to secure the fifteenth point for the win in the third game, which was essentially the turning point of the game.

The girls went into the fourth game very flat. The majority of the Andover fans had left, thinking that the girls had in fact already won, which contributed to the lack of energy on the court. Exeter had gained the momentum in the previous game, and took the fourth game 15-4. In the fifth game, the Andover girls fought hard to regain the momentum. Each point demonstrated a tremendous effort, but it was not enough to stop the Exeter team from taking the last game, 15-11.

Though lack of communication and support hindered the Blue, overall, the team played terrific volleyball. Katie Schellenberg '00 had an excellent game. Seniors Nikki Salva, Cecile Ferrando, Bunmi Ajose and Laura Mistretta worked hard throughout the game, leading the team through their hustle and smart plays. Though it was a tough loss, the team set its sights on the post season tournament that would take place the following week, where they would have another opportunity to take on the Red. On Wednesday, the girls headed off to Exeter for the second time this week. From the very beginning the girls expressed the desire to win and channeled that towards excellent play on the court. Unbelievable digs and passes from Vivian Huang '02 in the back row helped to demoralize the Exeter players. Middle hitters Christine Okike and Bunmi Ajose did an excellent job hitting, blocking and taking control of the net, which helped the Blue to win the first game 15-5.

In the second game the big Blue came out strong, taking seven points at the start. However, the Exies fought back and flipped the score to a 14-10 Exeter lead. At that point, Ferrando took charge and served six straight points to win the second game. The third game was fought hard on both sides of the net. Exeter ceased to give the Blue any more points off its errors, and forced the team to earn each point, which the Blue did.

The back row hits from Cindy Yee '01 and the smart second ball attacks from Ferrando contributed to the terrific play on the court. But it was not enough to capture the win from the Exies who had led the entire third game, though the Andover team put forth an excellent effort, losing the third game by a close margin 15-12. In the fourth game, setter Julie Papanek '01 entered the lineup and did superbly, encouraging the team to keep up the momentum. Middle hitter Libby Perkowski '01 also did an excellent job stepping in and winning some points at the net. However, the team lost focus and momentum fast, struggling with the crass Exeter fans and some questionable calls from the refs. The fourth game ended with a 15-6 loss for Andover. The team entered the fifth game knowing that everyone would have to play better and harder than she had ever played before. Exeter, being the only team to have beaten the Blue in a fifth set rally scoring match, posed a serious threat. The fifth game was intense, and started out with an Exeter lead.

The Blue then tied up the score by fighting hard for every point so that no ball would touch the floor. Although there was a tremendous struggle, the Blue lost a lot of the energy that it had at the beginning of this two-and-a-half-hour match. Exeter will continue to the semi-finals of the tournament after a 15-11 win over Andover in the fifth game of a heartbreaking match. The Andover volleyball season ended with tears and disappointed expressions. However, this last game is in no way indicative of the success that the volleyball team has seen this season. The girls' final record was 11-7 beating every team in the league except one. Numerous times, the team was complimented by opposing coached and refs for its outstanding defensive play and smart offensive attacks.

The team has become one of the most exciting to watch and its chemistry and unity surpassed that of any other team in the league.

Though the seniors will be missed, the team looks promising for the 2000 season.

11/17/99

SPORT: Water Polo- Boys

YEAR: 1999-2000

CAPTAIN: Nathaniel Moger
HOME ADDRESS:

MANAGER:
HOME ADDRESS:

COACH: Scott Hoenig
ASSISTANT COACHES:

SEASON RECORD

WON 5 LOST 10 TIED 0

Letter Winners

Arguelles, Adam	Moger, Nathaniel
Emery, Kevin	Neuwirth, Benjamin
Green, Adam	Noll, Daniel
Kimball, Gregory	Rechnitz, Michael
Lo, Jonathan	So, Albert
Martin, Geoffrey	Thornton, Alexander
	Vantzelfde, Nathaniel

Boys' Waterpolo

			PA	OPP
Sat. Sept. 19, 1999	(A)	Loomis/ NMH/ Hopkins	1	12 Loomis
			13	7 Hopkins
Wed. Sept. 22, 1999	(H)	Exeter	5	20
Sat. Sept. 25, 1999	(H)	Loomis-Chaffee	8	15
Wed. Sept. 28, 1999	(H)	St. John's (scrimmage)	7	8
Sat. Oct. 2, 1999	(A)	Suffield/NMH	19	4 NMH
			3	5 Suffiel
Sat. Oct. 9, 1999	(H)	Choate	9	16
Sat. Oct. 16, 1999	(A)	Williston Northhampton	10	11
Wed. Olt. 20, 1999	(H)	St. John's	10	7
Sat. Oct. 23, 1999	(H)	NMH	22	10
Sat. Oct. 30, 1999	(A)	Deerfield	9	7
Wed. Nov. 11, 1999	(A)	Exeter	4	24
Sat. Nov. 6, 1999	(A)	Choate/Deer?Lawr	not reported	
Sat. Nov. 13, 1999	(A)	Interschols Deerfield(ExOl)	4	6 Loomis
			7	8 Willist

Boys' Polo Struggles to Early 1-2

by Mike Rechnitz
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Loomis-Chaffee	12
Andover	1
Andover	13
Hopkins	7
Exeter	20
Andover	5

The Andover boys waterpolo team opened its season last Saturday at Loomis-Chaffee. With only two returning starters, including captain Nat Moger '00, the Blue was not expecting to beat New England's top teams. The inexperience of the young Phillips team was no match for the five returning starters fielded by Loomis. Moger provided the only true offense in the fourth quarter, scoring Andover's lone goal with a fierce backhand shot. However, the game was not a total loss for the Blue as it was a learning experience for the team that had virtually never played together before.

The Blue came back in their second game against Hopkins in a 13 to 7 victory.The Blue struggled with its offensive movement in both games, but made up for it with great defensive play from Geoff Martin '00. Martin proceeded to shut down Hopkins' female player, forcing her to the wall of the pool on many separate occasions. Adam Arguelles '02 held Hopkins to only 3 goals in the first half of play. Up 10 to 4 in the third quarter, all of the new Andover faces made an appearance in the game. With solid returning starter Nate Vantzelfde '00 in the pool, rookies like Alex Thornton '01 and Cameron Poe '03 had a chance to show their stuff. Hopkins was surprised, to say the least, with the elevation of play that Andover exhibited from the game against Loomis. Moger punished Hopkins hole defender, scoring eight of the thirteen goals tallied by Andover.

The double-header was a good learning experience for the young team. After the holiday on Monday, the Blue had only one day of practice to prepare for its game against the returning champions Phillips Exeter.

With five of the top seven recruits in New England, Exeter was a strong and accomplished team. Even Andover's new head coach Scott Hoenig had competition, coaching against 30-year seasoned veteran Roger Nekton. Captain Nat Moger busted out the heavy artillery scoring all five of Andover goals. Assisted by great passing from Vantzelfde '00 and decent defense, the Blue was able to keep the scoring ratio down at 4/1. Goalie Michael Rechnitz '00 made his varsity presence known by shutting out Exeter in the fourth quarter. With Exeter fielding one of the best teams on the East Coast, it was a hard-fought 20-5 loss by the Blue. With more game experience, Andover will have a second chance against Loomis on Saturday at home.

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Boys' Waterpolo Sinks To 1-3 Season Record

by Jon Lo
and Daniel Noll
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITERS

Loomis	15
Andover	8

St. John's	7
Andover	6

Last Saturday, the Andover Water Polo team played Loomis-Chaffee for the second time this season. Facing the second best team of the league, the Blue was ready for the task. With the leadership of captain Nat Moger '00 and seasoned veteran Nate Vantzelfde '00, the team came out playing its best polo of the season. Holding the dominating Loomis to only three goals in the first quarter, the Blue was feeling confident about its chances of coming back in the following quarters. Unfortunately, it was only able to throw one ball into the back of the net by the end of the second quarter. Tired and winded, Andover fought gallantly through the third quarter. Proving his dominance in the hole position, Moger was able to mount an offensive charge against the authoritative opponents. Bringing the score within a three goal margin, the pressure was on for the fourth quarter. The speed demons of Andover, Albert So '01 and Jon Lo '02, were halted by the overwhelming Loomis defense. Thankfully though, Loomis-Chaffee could not stop captain and leading goal scorer, Moger, who scored seven of the team's eight goals in the loss. Boosting up the stat sheet was the left-handed guru Greg Kimball '01. Though Andover lost for a second time against the competitive Loomis squad, the Blue showed an improvement from the feeble attempt of the first encounter.

After Wednesday classes, the squad prepared for a strenuous workout and game warmup. This activity included numerous push ups, sit ups, and wind sprints, and was a training mechanism used by coach Scott Hoenig to teach his players how to perform under extreme fatigue.

With captain Nat Moger out of the water due to illness (the flu), the Blue was still expected to put up a great performance against the growing St. John's program. With the opening in the hole position, it was up to four year senior Geoff Martin '00 to prove his flexibility in the pool. Taking some time to get used to the position, Martin finally made the two meter line his new home.

The fast paced first quarter forced the Blue to change from its usual set offense. Los rapidos chicos, Vantzelfde , So , Lo had many fast break opportunities. However, the scrappy St. John's goalie was able to break up the feeds from starting goalie Adam Arguelles '02. Nearing the close of the first quarter, Martin was able to pick up the scraps on one of Lo's many fast break attempts.

As the game slowed down in pace, the Andover team was able to start converting its fast breaks. The deadly twosome of Kimball and Noll was able to sneak one past the feisty St. John's goalie. As time wound down in the third quarter, Moger looked at the score board to see his team down by a few goals.

With four and a half minutes left in the fourth quarter, Andover was on its last limbs. Needing goals desperately, Coach Hoenig called a time-out to deliver an inspirational speech. After hearing the speech, the Blue was able to mount a comeback. However, it was not enough to come up with a victory.

Andover will take on St. John's again next week, and is very confident that it will come emerge the victor the second time around.

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Boys' Polo Sinks Below .500, Tournament Hopes Diminish

by Nate Vantzelfde
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Choate	**16**
Andover	**9**

Coming out of the previous weekend's back-to-back games with a win and a loss, Andover boys' water polo remained a disappointing two games under .500. A loss to Choate in this weekend's game would make earning a berth in the Interscholastic championship tournament a difficult task. In this seventh game in the midst of a tough season, Choate would prove to be a tough opponent.

The game started out slowly, with both teams fresh and playing good defense. However, Choate jumped out to an early lead towards the end of the first quarter on an outside shot from about eight meters back. Choate's offense would control the tempo of the game for the remainder of the quarter, racking up two more goals. The boys in blue did manage to score one of their own off a shot from team captain Nat Moger '00. Moger, the team's leading scorer this season, would add to his total later in the game with a second goal. In the second quarter, Andover's offense began to show signs of life with more effective passing and better shooting. The team also used its speed to counterattack, and Nate Vantzelfde '00, Jon Lo '02, and Greg Kimball '01 all had fast-break goals in the second. Although defense remained solid and offense began to score, Andover never took the lead. Choate continued to take shots from the perimeter, scoring three more times and holding on to its three-point lead. Though down by three at the half, Andover had managed to outplay Choate, only to have numerous shots hit the post or sail over the crossbar.

In the second half, Andover started to show signs of fatigue. Defense slacked, giving Choate's accurate outside shooters more room to work. Andover players did not swim back to play defense, and Choate, though clearly a slower team, capitalized on the counterattack. Andover's offense became less productive, especially with Choate playing with two defenders guarding Moger, Andover's biggest threat out of hole set. Moger played up to his usual level of excellence with two goals and numerous assists, but the rest of the team was unable to draw the second defender away from Moger or create scoring opportunities of their own. Andover's fast-break offense was all that looked good. Lo and Kimball each got his second goal off of fast-break shots. Vantzelfde also scored twice more. Nonetheless, Choate continued to expand its lead. Down by four, Andover was by no means out of the game at the end of the third quarter, but the team faded completely in the fourth and allowed Choate to score five more to take the game with a final score of 16-9.

With five games remaining in the season, Andover needs to win four more in order to end with the .500 record required to enter the championship tournament. Andover plays both Exeter and Choate again, two teams that they have already lost to. Though their performance this week was an improvement over that of the previous weeks, Andover clearly needs to play better if they hope to advance to the tournament.

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BOYS WATERPOLO NOTCHES TWO VICTORIES OVER ST. JOHNS, NMH

by John Lo and Greg Kimball
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	22
NMH	9

Andover	10
St. Johns	7

After a lackluster season so far, which has produced a 2 - 4 win - loss record for boys' waterpolo, the team rebounded this week notching two more wins for the improving team. Led by captain Nat Moger '00, who topped 50 goals last Saturday, the boys bested St. John's on Wednesday and dominated Northfield Mount Hermon on Saturday with theie parents watching.

On Wednesday afternoon, St. Johns showed up to play in a must win game for Andover. Three weeks ago, St. Johns won by a one point margin, however Andover was missing it's star player, Moger. In this game, Moger proved to be the difference, leading the team to a 10-7 victory. Although the score was tied at the quarter and half, Andover pulled away to take the game in the final quarter, scoring 4 unanswered goals. Nate Vantzelfde '00 remarked after the game, "Going into the fourth quarter, I knew we were going to win."

Feeling the momentum building from Wednesday's win, Andover began Saturday's game versus NMH with a newfound intensity. After Moger started the team off to a quick 4-0 lead, Jon Lo '02, followed up firing three more shots past the goalie ending the first quarter with a 7-0 lead. At the start of the second quarter, coach Scott Hoenig rotated the starting line giving a chance for Albert So '01 and Ben Neuwirth '02 to display their skills in front of the parents. After an impressive 15-2 lead at half time, the Blue subbed in their JV team. Leading scorer of the JV squad, Alex Thornton '01 managed to blast in two backhand shots, but the inexperienced team let in seven goals. Going into the last quarter, Andover put in its starters to finish the game off. The skillful Greg Kimball '01 skipped two balls past the goalie, soon followed by Vantzelfde's left-handed bullet, making the score 20-9. Moger, finished the game with an incredible half court shot making the final score 22-9.

These past two wins have increased the chances of Andover making interschols. The blue is ready to take on Deerfield this coming Saturday.

Boys' Polo

The boy's Water Polo team defeated St. John's Prep on Wednesday behind the offense of Nat Moger '00, but fell to Williston on Saturday. *pg. B4*

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Greg Kimball '01, goalie Adam Arguilles '02, and Captain Nat Moger '00 portrayed great teamwork in

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Wednesday's victory over St. John's. Moger in particular has shown amazing skill and leadership despite the team's losing season thus far.

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Boys' Waterpolo Beats Deerfield But Falls to Choate by One Point

by Nate Vantzelfde
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	5
Deerfield	2
Choate	7
Andover	6

Impressive teamwork and solid defense characterized the boys' water polo team's play this Saturday, with a victory over Deerfield and a close match against Choate. These two games were crucial in determining the position in which the Blue would enter next weekend's championship tournament. Because the Blue defeated Deerfield by a score of 9-7 in the teams' previous match-up, it entered the pool with confidence for its first game. The contest got off to a slow start, and neither team was able to score until the middle of the first quarter, when Deerfield netted a ball from the perimeter. Andover quickly answered with a goal of its own off a fast break by Jon Lo '02, followed by an amazing shot from captain Nat Moger '00. The first quarter ended with Andover leading 2-1. With Andover playing exceptional defense, Deerfield was unable to score in the second quarter, when Andover managed to increase its lead as Nat Moger scored his second goal of the game. Though Andover's defense remained tight throughout the game, Deerfield came up with a lucky shot towards the end of the third quarter to bring the Andover lead down to one. However, that was as close as it would come to catching Andover.The last quarter started with Blue ahead, 3-2. As Deerfield's weaker athletes began to tire, Andover's field players, backed by excellent goalkeeping from Mike Rechnitz '00, were able to completely shut down the opposing offense. With only three minutes left in the game, Nate Vantzelfde '00 ended Deerfield's hopes of coming back by scoring two outside shots, assisted by Greg Kimball '01 and Moger. As this first game ended with the score 5-2, Andover's players focused on their next, potentially stronger, opponent: Choate. The last time the two teams met, Choate defeated Andover by a score of 16-9. However, Andover had since gained experience and was certain that, this time, the game would be closer. Led by Moger's outstanding play in the hole, Andover got out to an early lead. Moger himself scored all four of the team's goals in the first quarter, and he would account for the rest of the team's goals in this game. Choate, however, was not ready to give up this early in the game, and put in a goal of its own. At the end of the first, the Blue led comfortably, 4-1. Andover continued to play well into the second quarter and, although its offense was somewhat less productive, its defense held strong and again kept Choate to only one goal for the quarter, while Moger's fifth goal maintained the team's three goal lead.

With a relatively large lead going into the second half, the Blue was overconfident that it could take the match. Andover started to make sloppy passes and inaccurate shots. Choate took advantage of these mistakes as well as the Blue's increasing fatigue. Even though Moger scored his sixth goal of the game, Choate was able to come back with two more goals to bring Andover's lead down to two.

In the last quarter, the Blue, showing signs of being tired, continued to make inaccurate shots in addition to many untimely ejections. Choate was able to slip two more goals into the back of the net, tying the score 6-6. With only thirty seconds left in the game, Andover was able to steal the ball from the Choate offense. However, Choate regained possession and was able to score its final goal to take the lead. Andover failed to score in the last twenty seconds, losing the game by one goal. Next weekend, the Blue will have to play its first match against Loomis, the second-ranked team in the league, at the New England Championships taking place at Deerfield.

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SPORT: Water Polo- Girls

YEAR: 1999-2000

CAPTAIN: Carleigh Samson
HOME ADDRESS:

MANAGER:
HOME ADDRESS:

COACH: Elizabeth Idzik
ASSISTANT COACHES:

SEASON RECORD

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NE Champions

Letter Winners

Anderson, Elizabeth	Heilweil, Jessica
Bartlett, Katherine	Lind, Caroline
Blitzer, Margaret	Murphy, Devin
Cowan, Sophie	Nickerson, Lauren
Ferranti, Sarah	O'Conner, Kerryn
Foster, Ashley	Samson, Carleigh
Freas, Sydney	Saraidaridis, Julia

Girls' Water Polo

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Sat. Sept. 19, 1999	(H)	Loomis	13 ~~not reported~~	6
Sat. Sept. 25, 1999	(H)	Loomis-Chaffee	15	7
Sat. Oct. 2, 1999	(A)	N.M.H.	not reported	
Sat. Oct. 9, 1999	(H)	Deerfield	22	13
Sat. Oct. 16, 1999	(A)	Williston Northhampton	19 ~~not reported~~	7
Sat. Oct. 23, 1999	(H)	N.M.H.	22 ~~not reported~~	4
Sat. Oct. 30, 1999	(A)	Deerfield	not reported	
Sat. Nov. 13, 1999	(A)	Loomis Tourney NE champs	10	9

Girls' Water Polo Continues N.E. Dominance With Convincing Win

by Ashley Foster
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	**13**
Loomis-Chaffee	**6**

The Andover girls' water polo team grabbed its first victory of the season this Saturday as it demolished the Loomis-Chaffee Pelicans with a final score of 13-6. The team has a great number of returning players including Captain Carlie Samson '00, and leading scorers Liz Anderson '00, who scored five goals, and Meg Blitzer '01 who scored four. The game was marked by Andover's overwhelming defense, as well as the Blue's ability to capitalize on offensive opportunities. The first quarter saw the Blue jump out to a several goal advantage and manage to hold Loomis-Chaffee scoreless. Kate Bartlett's '00 goaltending, coupled with the impressive defense of Samson, Anderson, Blitzer, Sophie Cowan '01, and Sidney Freas '00, was able to shutout the Pelicans for the first period.

During the second quarter, newcomer to the team, Caroline Lind '02, saw her first varsity action. On her first offensive play ever she was able to take the ball down the pool and beat the Loomis goalie. At the end of the second quarter the Pelicans were able to get their first goal off the Andover girls, but it came at a desperate time. Two of the Andover's players had just been ejected from the game and now had to play four on six, a very uneven pool.

Going into the third quarter Andover was still up by five. Coach Elizabeth Idzik substituted frequently for her tiring players during this quarter to give rest to those who needed it without jeopardizing the playing field. This proved to be a smart move by Coach Idzik as the Big Blue scored another five goals. Loomis also made some lineup changes during this quarter scoring two goals, but Andover was still up by eight.

Things looked good for the girls going into the fourth quarter. With a lead of eight points the game was in hand. Nevertheless, the girls did not let down their guard. They fought hard till the very end and were able to grab two final goals. The Loomis girls also proved to give it their all and came out of the water with three final goals, but it wasn't good enough. The Andover girls had dominated once again.

Captain Carlie Samson said that it was a great start to what was going to be a great season. Coach Idzik concluded the game stating that, "The Loomis girls were tough, but not tough enough for Andover!"

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GIRLS' WATERPOLO CONTINUES TO DROWN NE FOES

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DEFEATS LOOMIS AGAIN

Seniors Anderson, Samson Lead Offense

by Ashley Foster
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	**15**
Loomis	**7**

Last Saturday the Andover girls' water polo team triumphed over the Loomis-Chaffee Pelicans by a score of 15-7. This marked the second meeting between the two teams in as many weeks. Last week Andover defeated Loomis 13-7, in a game which proved to be indicative of this past Saturday's contest.

The game was supposed to start at two, but at 2:15 there was still not a referee to be seen. Thankfully Paul Murphy stepped in to help out. The girls went into the water pumped for the first quarter. Within a couple of minuets Sidney Freas '01 made her way down the pool on a fast break to score the first goal of the game. However, Loomis showed great improvement from the last time the two met. The Pelicans were able to steal two points putting them in the lead. But the Big Blue came back with Meg Blitzer '01 scoring her first two goals of the game. This put Andover up by one going into the second quarter.

Captain Carlie Samson '00 made her debut in the second quarter helping in some great offensive plays. Liz Anderson '00 had many great assists in addition to two goals. There was a series of fast breaks for both teams during this time. Loomis was able to score three goals, but Andover managed to pick up an additional four. This left the score at 9-5 at the half.

The third quarter looked promising for the Big Blue. With a week of practice behind them, the girls were pumped and ready for some more. Both teams played out the quarter giving it there all. The girls raced up and down the pool, neither team letting the other have an advantage. Both Andover and Loomis were both able to score one goal. However on a bad call by a goal referee, a goal was called for Loomis that did not actually go in. Nevertheless, the goal could not be called back, and the point was awarded.

Starting the fourth quarter the girls were still up by three, but they knew they were capable of a lot more. They had beaten this team once before and they had to show that they were getting even stronger by the day. The girls focused all of their energy and came out of the water with an additional five goals. With the help of their great goalie, Kate Bartlett '01, they shut the Pelicans out in the last quarter. The Andover girls water polo team was victorious once again raising its record to 2-0.

UNDEFEATED GIRLS' POLO WINS BY NINE

ANDERSON SCORES FIVE

by Ashley Foster
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	**22**
Deerfield	**13**

Last Saturday the girls' water polo team was able to continue its winning streak, demolishing Deerfield by a final score of 22-13. Getting on top of things right from the start, the girls sprinted down the pool to score their first ten goals. While Andover dominated the pool, Deerfield was unable to have any scoring shots on goal thanks to Andover goalie Kate Bartlett '01.

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In the second quarter, Andover dove right back in and was ready to go again. It was able to score an additional three goals, with Ashley Foster '01 scoring her first goal of the season. In the last minute, in an attempt to make a comeback, Deerfield was able to score four goals before the end of the half, but having a deficit of nine put it in a difficult situation.

In the third quarter, Andover began to mix up its playing field. With such a strong and deep team, it was able to switch up its line up without jeopardizing the score of the game. Proving to be a powerhouse team, Andover scored an additional six goals. Also scoring her first goal of the season was Lauren Holly '03. Deerfield was sporadically able to make a few offensive plays, four of which resulted in goals, but Andover was quite simply putting its opponent to shame.

Going into the last quarter of the game, the Big Blue was up 19-8. Putting many of its starters back into the game, Andover was no longer as concerned with shooting as it was with showing what kind of game it could play. The players proved that they were not only fast, but could also strategize and help each other out. Andover also made a goalie switch, putting in Virginia Frischkorn '02. In the end, Deerfield was only able to score five more goals, leaving Andover victorious by the score of 22-13.

As Andover enters the second half of its season undefeated, it is shaping up to be one of the strongest teams around. Although it still has one new team to face, it looks like a strong contender for this year's New England Championship.

Girls' Polo Continues Winning Ways With 19-7 Demolition of Williston

by Ashley Foster
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Andover	**19**
Williston	**7**

Last week's 19-7 triumph over Williston marks a major turning point in the girls' water polo season. The squad is undefeated thus far and has beaten every team in its league. The girls are well on their way to becoming this year's New England Champions.

After an exhausting bus ride, the girls arrived at Williston with only a few minutes to warm up, but that was enough for them. They were focused and ready to go. At first, the Williston girls looked like they might present a challenge, but it didn't take the Andover girls long to realize that Williston's skills were nowhere close to matching theirs. Andover dominated the first quarter, scoring a total of nine goals, five by Meg Blitzer '01. In the few attempts that were made by Williston, the team was able to score three goals.

The second quarter began with Andover leading 9-3 and was much more evenly matched than the first. Both teams made good offensive and defensive plays, earning each three goals. At the half, the score was 12-6.

The third quarter was an excellent one for the Big Blue. It shut Williston out, never letting its opponent take control of the game. Andover kept its energy up and fired away. In the end, the Blue had tallied an additional five goals, putting it way ahead at 17-6. The team's skill and depth were evident, as it was able continue playing at the same level for the entire game showing any pain or fatigue.

The last quarter was simply a time for Andover to wrap things up and bring home another win. The team effortlessly scored another two goals, while Williston was only able to score one. Frustrated, Williston made a last minuet attempt to, well, I'm not sure what you would call it. The playersr formed a line in front of all the Andover girls and proceeded to splash water in their faces continually. There seemed no be no point in this because it was considered a foul, which only gave Andover the ball once again.

In the end, Andover proved to be the better team. With the final score of 19-7 adding another win to their perfect record, the girls are ready to take on all challenges for the rest of the season. Having already faced each team once, they know what they are up against and are confident that, if they play well, they will not be challenged. They have an excellent team and coaching staff and are going to fight until the very last match.

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Girls Waterpolo Stays Undefeated; Anderson Leads Team, Scores Nine

by Ashley Foster
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	**22**
NMH	**4**

The girls water polo team continued its victorious season last Saturday with a triumph over Northfield Mt. Herman, 22-4. The final home game of the season began with the traditional senior recognition. Carlie Samson '00 and Liz Anderson '00 received flowers and a standing ovation to commemorate their years of hard work and great play. Then, also in tradition, Bobby Edwards, Dean of Community and Multicultural Development, provided a beautiful rendition of the Star Spangled Banner, bringing the crowd of parents and friends to their feet once again. The girls were ready to go.

The game began with the usual starters: Anderson, Samson, Meg Blitzer '01, Kerryn O'Connor '01, Sydney Freas '01, Sophie Cowan '01, and Kate Bartlett '01 in goal. This talented group started things off with a bang, scoring goal after goal and holding the Hoggers scoreless throughout the first quarter. Despite some questionable calls by the referee, the girls were able to completely dominate their opponent. In one case, after the NMH goalie blatantly hit the ball out of bounds, the referee gave the ball back to the Hoggers to the disbelief of the crowd.

By half time, NMH was still scoreless, primarily due to the stifling play of Bartlett in the goal. Although NMH was having considerable trouble even getting the ball near the net, Bartlett was sure to pounce on every stray ball that came her way. As Coach Elizabeth Idzik slowly rotated everyone into the game to showcase their talents for their parents. Lauren Nickerson '02, was able to score her first goal of the season helping the girls increase their lead by even more.

Throughout the rest of the game, Andover continued its dominance. As Captain Samson scored her first goal of the game early in the third quarter, the girls' spirits continued to rise. Samson, who had been sidelined with a back injury for the past two games. was able to prove that she could overcome any setback.

The final quarter saw the debut of Virginia Frischkorn '02, the team's rising back-up goalie, who performed beautifully in front of parents that had yet to see her play. The finger that she had broken only one week earlier didn't seem to bother her at all as she dove for numerous saves. Also starring in this quarter was leading scorer Anderson . She continued to rack up Andover's total, adding an amazing last second goal as the buzzer sounded to end the game. Anderson would finish the game with an astounding total of nine goals, contributing to the final score of 22-4.

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Girls Water Polo Wins Interschols; Offense Powers Team in Final Games

by Ashley Foster
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Andover	17
NMH	2
Andover	19
Williston	7
Andover	9
Loomis Chaffee	8

Last Saturday the Andover girls' water polo team made its way to Loomis where in a series of playoff games the girls captured their undefeated title of New England Champions. The team started out at 6 am on its 2 and a half-hour ride to the end of its season. Arriving late in the morning the girls got in the water, ready to start out on the right foot in the first game of the day. Tournament rules stated that should there be a tie, the winner would be decided by which team had scored more total goals that day, a fact the girls needed to keep in mind.

Andover's first opponent of the day was NMH, a team they had defeated twice before in the season, but none the less it was still critical that the girls run up the score. By the end of the first quarter, Andover led 9-1 with one of its goals off of an exceptional 4-meter shot by Meg Blitzer '01. The second quarter slowed down only bringing the Blue two additional goals to NMH's one. In both the third and fourth quarter goalie Kate Bartlett '01, had shutouts with numerous great saves. In the last quarter the Andover girls were able to squeeze out three more goals, winning the first game of the day with an amazing score of 17 - 2.

After their first victory of the day, the girls rested for a couple of hours as they waited for the next challenge on their path to ultimate victory. Their second opponent was Williston. As the game began, it looked like it would be an even contest with the score at 4-3 after one period. But Andover knew it could do better. The girls got right back in the water with determination. Williston is notorious for being a dirty team to play against, but the Big Blue was able to keep calm and composed. The girls dominated the pool with 7 goals to Williston's 1. In the second half of the game, Andover was able to keep up its intensity scoring 8 more times, and only letting two defensive plays get by the defense. The final score was 19-7. Some of the highlights of the game were Blitzer's second 4-meter shot of the day, and Liz Anderson's '00 astonishing seven assists in addition to her own 4 personal goals. Kerryn O'Connor '01 was another major contributor to the game with seven personal goals and one assist.

A few hours later, the girls got ready to play their last game of the season. The only two teams remaining in the tournament were Andover and Loomis-Chafee. With both tension and excitement in the air the girls entered the water, ready to give everything they had. As the game began, it was clear that it was going to be the most exiting matchup they had seen thus far. Loomis had compiled all their talents and were quickly able to move about in the pool earning them 4 goal in the first quarter. The Andover girls, not being used to this situation became frustrated that their efforts only earned them 2 goals. But they decided to put it behind them and start the second quarter as if the first period had never happened. During the second half, Andover began to have frequent ejections, leaving them man down which made it difficult to defend against Loomis. However Loomis was only able to score on one of those occasions. Nevertheless, Andover was also able to squeak out one more goal by the end of the half.

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And Andover was not about to stop there. Only 12 minutes remained in the game, twelve minutes of giving it their all and the victory would be theirs forever. Loomis is known to be a team that becomes very frustrated when an opposing team starts to take control. The Andover girls are notorious for being a team that starts off slow and then pull things together at the end. The girls were able to outscore Loomis 3-2 in the third leaving the score 6-7 with only six minutes to go. However the trend of ejections continued, leaving many of the players with two ejections. In the game of water polo, if a player gets three ejections within a game she is kicked out for good. This meant that Andover needed to be very careful in the last quarter. Not only could the girls not afford to have their players kicked out, they also couldn't afford to be in a man down situation that would most likely result in a goal being scored by Loomis.

As the last quarter of the game began one could see the determination in the girls' eyes. They made their way down the pool quickly within the first three minutes to score, tying everything up. Within the next minute Loomis, in a counter attack, was able to score, putting the Pelicans back up by one.

But Andover quickly took over the pool with another goal. With less than two minutes left, the tables turned again in Loomis' favor as the Pelicans scored once again. But several moments later, as Anderson took hold of the ball and went to make a shot, an opposing girl clearly made a foul preventing her from shooting.

This only resulted a four meter shot which tied things up once again. The game stayed tied for the next minute, neither team was able to pull ahead. As the end neared Cowan, '01, was given her third ejection of the game, removing her from the pool for good. Finally with only a few seconds left the Anderson fired a shot past the Loomis goalie for the winning goal. It was all over. The Andover Girls had finally earned the title as the 1999 New England Undefeated Champions.

Along with the well deserved title of New England Champions and a huge trophy, the girls brought home a few more awards. Anderson received a spot on the final All Tournament Team along with Bartlett as the all tourney goalie and Blitzer as the MVP. . O'Connor, who is also next years captain, was placed on the All Tournament Secondary Team Coach Idzik was thoroughly impressed with the girls' ability to pull things together in the end and have their determination outweigh all the odds.

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SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 20

Basketball (G V)	BROOKS (Scrim)	(H)	1:30
Wrestling (B V)	Brooks (Scrim)	(A)	1:30

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 1

Basketball (B V)	HOLDERNESS	(H)	4:30
Basketball (G V)	Brewster Academy	(A)	3:30
Hockey (B V)	St. Paul's	(A)	3:15
Hockey (G V)	B.B.&N.	(H)	3:15
Squash (B JV1)	BROOKS (Scrim)	(H)	2:30
Squash (B V)	BROOKS (Scrim)	(H)	2:30
Squash (G V)	Tabor	(A)	3:30

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 2

Basketball (B V)	Brooks (Scrim)	(A)	3:45
Basketball (G V)	BROOKS (Scrim)	(H)	4:00
Squash (B V)	Harvard	(A)	4:30
Squash (G V)	Harvard	(A)	4:30

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 4

Basketball (B JV1)	CUSHING	(H)	2:30
Basketball (B V)	CUSHING	(H)	2:30
Basketball (G V)	Governor Dummer	(A)	2:30
Hockey (B JV1)	MIDDLESEX ISLANDERS	(H)	5:30
Hockey (B V)	St. Mark's	(A)	2:30
Hockey (G JV)	Governor Dummer	(A)	2:30
Hockey (G V)	ST. MARK'S	(H)	2:30
Wrestling (B V)	Governor Dummer	(A)	2:30

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 8

Skiing Nordic	Holderness	(A)	2:45

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 11

Basketball (G V)	THAYER (Scrim)	(H)	3:00
Hockey (B V)	Harvard	(A)	6:00

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 12

Basketball (B V)	HARVARD	(H)	1:00
Basketball (G V)	HARVARD	(H)	3:00
Hockey (B V)	TABOR	(H)	1:00

MONDAY, DECEMBER 13

Basketball (B V)	Loomis-Chaffee	(A)	5:30
Basketball (G V)	Loomis-Chaffee	(A)	4:00
Hockey (B V)	MILTON	(H)	5:00
Hockey (G V)	BOSTON ICE WOMEN	(H)	7:00

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 14

Basketball (B V)	New Hampton	(A)	3:30
Basketball (G V)	New Hampton	(A)	1:30
Hockey (G V)	PEABODY GIRLS	(H)	7:30

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 16

Hockey (G V)	Taft	(A)	10:30

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 17

Hockey (B V)	Milton	(A)	12:00
Hockey (G V)	Taft	(A)	12:00

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 18

Hockey (B V)	Milton	(A)	12:00

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 19

Hockey (B V)	Milton	(A)	12:00

SATURDAY, JANUARY 8

Basketball (B JV1)	CHOATE	(H)	2:00
Basketball (B V)	CHOATE	(H)	6:00
Basketball (G JV1)	CHOATE	(H)	12:15
Basketball (G V)	CHOATE	(H)	4:00
Hockey (B JV1)	CHOATE	(H)	4:00
Hockey (B V)	CHOATE	(H)	2:00
Hockey (G JV)	CHOATE	(H)	12:00
Hockey (G V)	CHOATE	(H)	6:00
Squash (B JV1)	CHOATE	(H)	12:00
Squash (B V)	CHOATE/EXETER/TAFT	(H)	2:00
Squash (G V)	CHOATE	(H)	12:00
Swimming (B V)	CHOATE	(H)	2:00
Swimming (G V)	CHOATE	(H)	2:00
Track (B V)	Dartmouth Relays	(A)	8:00
Track (G V)	Dartmouth Relays	(A)	8:00
Wrestling (B JV)	CHOATE	(H)	2:00
Wrestling (B V)	CHOATE	(H)	2:00

SUNDAY, JANUARY 9

Hockey (B V)	ALUMNI	(H)	2:00
Hockey (G V)	ALUMNI	(H)	12:00

MONDAY, JANUARY 10

Basketball (B V)	Governor Dummer	(A)	4:45

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 12

Basketball (B JV1)	Andover High School	(A)	3:30
Basketball (B JV2)	NORTH READING HIGH	(H)	3:15
Basketball (G JV1)	Tabor	(A)	3:45
Basketball (G JV2)	NORTH READING HIGH	(H)	3:15
Basketball (G V)	Tabor	(A)	3:45
Hockey (B V)	BRIDGTON ACADEMY	(H)	4:30
Hockey (G JV)	BROOKS	(H)	2:30
Hockey (G V)	New Hampton	(A)	4:00
Skiing Nordic	Proctor Skate	(A)	2:45
Squash (B JV1)	Deerfield	(A)	3:30
Squash (B JV2)	Groton	(A)	2:15
Squash (B V)	Deerfield	(A)	3:30
Squash (G JV1)	MIDDLESEX	(H)	2:30
Squash (G V)	MIDDLESEX	(H)	2:30
Swimming (B JV)	BERWICK ACADEMY	(H)	3:15
Swimming (G JV)	BERWICK ACADEMY	(H)	3:15
Track (B JV)	LOWELL JV	(H)	3:30
Track (G JV)	LOWELL JV	(H)	3:30
Wrestling (B V)	WILBRAHAM & MONSDN	(H)	3:30

FRIDAY, JANUARY 14

Hockey (G JV)	Groton	(A)	4:30
Squash (G JV1)	BROOKS	(H)	4:00
Squash (G V)	BROOKS	(H)	4:00

SATURDAY, JANUARY 15

Basketball (B JV1)	TABOR	(H)	2:00
Basketball (B JV2)	CENTRAL CATHOLIC HIGH	(H)	2:00
Basketball (B V)	TABOR	(H)	4:00
Basketball (G JV1)	Milton	(A)	7:15
Basketball (G V)	Milton	(A)	7:30
Hockey (B JV1)	Deerfield	(A)	5:00
Hockey (B V)	Exeter	(A)	4:30
Hockey (G V)	ST. PAUL'S	(H)	3:00
Squash (B JV1)	ST. MARK'S	(H)	3:30
Squash (B JV2)	ST. MARK'S	(H)	3:30
Swimming (B JV)	Exeter	(A)	5:30
Swimming (B V)	LOOMIS-CHAFFEE	(H)	2:00
Swimming (G JV)	Exeter	(A)	5:30
Swimming (G V)	LOOMIS-CHAFFEE	(H)	2:00
Track (B V)	Yale Invitational	(A)	12:00
Track (G V)	Yale Invitational	(A)	12:00
Wrestling (B JV)	St. Paul's	(A)	2:30
Wrestling (B V)	DEERFIELD/TILTON/PCD/HYDE	(H)	2:00

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 19

Basketball (B JV2)	N.M.H.	(H)	3:30
Basketball (B V)	Brewster Academy	(A)	3:30
Basketball (G JV1)	N.M.H.	(H)	5:15
Basketball (G JV2)	N.M.H.	(H)	3:30
Basketball (G V)	N.M.H.	(H)	5:15
Hockey (B V)	ST. SEBASTIANS	(H)	5:15
Hockey (G JV)	B.B.&N.	(A)	3:00
Hockey (G V)	LAWRENCE ACADEMY	(H)	3:15
Skiing Nordic	New Hampton	(A)	2:45
Squash (B JV2)	MILTON	(H)	3:15
Swimming (B V)	LINCOLN SUDBURY	(H)	3:45
Swimming (G V)	LINCOLN SUDBURY	(H)	3:45
Track (B JV)	HAVERHILL	(H)	3:15
Track (B V)	HAVERHILL HIGH SCHOOL	(H)	3:30
Track (G V)	HAVERHILL HIGH SCHOOL	(H)	3:30
Track (G JV)	HAVERHILL	(H)	3:15
Wrestling (B JV)	WORCESTER/HYDE	(H)	3:00
Wrestling (B V)	WORCESTER/TABOR	(H)	3:00

FRIDAY, JANUARY 21

Basketball (G JV2)	CONCORD-CARLISLE HIGH	(H)	3:30

SATURDAY, JANUARY 22

Basketball (B JV1)	Deerfield	(A)	3:15
Basketball (B JV2)	Deerfield	(A)	3:15
Basketball (B V)	Holy Cross JV	(A)	4:00
Basketball (G JV1)	DEERFIELD	(H)	3:30
Basketball (G V)	DEERFIELD	(H)	3:30
Hockey (G V)	St. Paul's	(A)	2:30
Hockey (B JV1)	Noble & Greenough	(A)	2:00
Hockey (B V)	GROTON	(H)	2:30
Hockey (G V)	GROTON	(H)	2:30
Squash (B JV1)	Middlesex	(A)	2:00
Squash (B V)	Middlesex	(A)	2:00
Squash (G JV1)	EXETER	(H)	2:00
Squash (G JV2)	EXETER	(H)	2:00
Squash (G V)	EXETER	(H)	2:00
Swimming (B JV)	Milton	(A)	2:30
Swimming (B V)	N.M.H.	(H)	3:30
Swimming (G JV)	Milton	(A)	2:30
Swimming (G V)	N.M.H.	(H)	3:30
Wrestling (B JV)	Roxbury Latin	(A)	3:30
Wrestling (B V)	Belmont Hill	(A)	3:45

MONDAY, JANUARY 24

Hockey (B V)	LAWRENCE ACADEMY	(H)	5:00

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 26

Basketball (B JV1)	Exeter	(A)	4:30
Basketball (B JV2)	ANDOVER FRESHMAN	(H)	3:30
Basketball (B V)	Exeter	(A)	4:30
Basketball (G JV1)	NORTH READING HIGH	(H)	5:00
Basketball (G JV2)	ANDOVER FRESHMAN	(H)	3:30
Basketball (G V)	N.A.P.S.	(H)	5:00
Hockey (B JV1)	MIDDLESEX ISLANDERS	(H)	6:00
Hockey (B V)	Middlesex	(A)	6:00
Hockey (G JV)	ACTON-BOXBORO	(H)	3:30
Hockey (G V)	Cushing	(A)	3:00
Skiing Nordic	St.Paul's Classic	(A)	2:45
Squash (B JV1)	St. Paul's	(A)	2:30
Squash (B JV2)	BELMONT HILL	(H)	4:30
Squash (B V)	St. Paul's	(A)	2:30
Squash (G JV1)	GROTON	(H)	2:30
Squash (G V)	GROTON	(H)	2:30
Swimming (G JV)	WINSOR	(H)	4:30
Track (B V)	LYNNFIELD HIGH/MASCO	(H)	3:15
Track (G V)	LYNNFIELD HIGH/MASCO	(H)	3:15
Wrestling (B V)	No. Andover	(A)	3:30

FRIDAY, JANUARY 28

Basketball (B JV1)	N.M.H.	(H)	7:00
Basketball (B V)	N.M.H.	(H)	7:15
Basketball (G JV2)	Fay School	(A)	4:45
Basketball (G V)	SUFFIELD	(H)	5:00
Squash (B JV1)	GROTON	(H)	4:45
Squash (B V)	TUFTS	(H)	6:00
Squash (G V)	TUFTS	(H)	6:00
Wrestling (B V)	N.M.H.	(A)	6:30

SATURDAY, JANUARY 29

Basketball (B JV2)	GR. LAW. TECHNICAL HIGH	(H)	2:00
Hockey (B JV1)	ANDOVER HIGH	(H)	2:30
Hockey (B V)	Loomis-Chaffee	(A)	4:00
Hockey (G JV)	DEERFIELD	(H)	4:30
Hockey (G V)	DEERFIELD	(H)	6:30
Squash (B JV2)	Brooks	(A)	1:30
Squash (B V)	CHOATE/WESTMINISTER/ BROOKS	(H)	2:15
Squash (G JV2)	Middlesex	(A)	2:00
Swimming (B JV)	DEERFIELD	(H)	3:00
Swimming (B V)	Deerfield	(A)	3:30
Swimming (G JV)	DEERFIELD	(H)	3:00
Swimming (G V)	Deerfield	(A)	3:30
Wrestling (B JV)	ROXBURY LATIN/LOOMIS/ BELMONT HILL	(H)	2:30

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 2

Basketball (B JV1)	St. John's	(H)	5:00
Basketball (B JV2)	Chelmsford	(A)	4:45
Basketball (B V)	BRIDGTON ACADEMY	(H)	5:00
Basketball (G JV1)	CUSHING	(H)	3:00
Basketball (G JV2)	Chelmsford	(A)	3:30
Basketball (G V)	CUSHING	(H)	3:00
Hockey (B JV1)	WEST RIVER WOLVES	(H)	6:30
Hockey (B V)	DEERFIELD	(H)	4:15
Hockey (G JV)	MIDDLESEX	(H)	2:15
Hockey (G V)	Exeter	(A)	2:45
Skiing Nordic	Holderness	(A)	2:45
Squash (B JV1)	Exeter	(A)	2:30
Squash (B JV2)	Exeter	(A)	2:30
Squash (B V)	Exeter	(A)	2:30
Squash (G JV1)	NOBLE & GREENOUGH	(H)	4:00
Squash (G JV2)	Groton	(A)	2:30
Squash (G V)	NOBLE & GREENOUGH	(H)	4:00
Swimming (B V)	BARRACOUDAS/NEW WAVE	(H)	3:30
Swimming (G V)	BARRACOUDAS/NEW WAVE	(H)	3:30
Track (B V)	ANDOVER HIGH	(H)	3:45
Track (G V)	ANDOVER HIGH	(H)	3:45
Wrestling (B JV)	TABOR	(H)	3:00
Wrestling (B V)	B.B.N.	(H)	3:00

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 4

Basketball (B V)	Thayer	(A)	6:30
Squash (B JV1)	TABOR	(H)	5:00
Squash (B JV2)	TABOR	(H)	5:00

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 5

Basketball (B JV1)	LAWRENCE HIGH	(H)	1:00
Basketball (B JV2)	LAWRENCE HIGH	(H)	1:00
Basketball (G JV1)	Exeter	(A)	2:00
Basketball (G JV2)	CENTRAL CATHOLIC HIGH	(H)	3:00
Basketball (G V)	Exeter	(A)	2:00
Hockey (B JV1)	ST. MARK'S	(H)	4:30

Hockey (B V)	B.B.&N.	(A)	3:00
Hockey (G JV)	St. Mark's	(A)	2:00
Hockey (G V)	K.U.A.	(A)	3:30
Squash (B JV1)	Milton	(A)	1:00
Squash (B V)	Milton	(A)	1:00
Squash (G JV1)	Milton	(A)	3:00
Squash (G JV2)	ST. MARK'S JV	(H)	2:00
Squash (G V)	Milton	(A)	3:00
Swimming (B V)	Hopkins	(A)	1:00
Swimming (G V)	Hopkins	(A)	1:00
Track (B V)	Wheaton Invitational	(A)	9:00
Track (G V)	Wheaton Invitational	(A)	9:00
Wrestling (B JV)	N.M.H.	(A)	2:00
Wrestling (B V)	MOSES/NEW HAMPTON/MILTON	(H)	1:00

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 9

Basketball (B JV2)	Andover	(A)	3:30
Basketball (G JV1)	St. Paul's	(A)	3:00
Basketball (G JV2)	PINGREE	(H)	3:00
Basketball (G V)	St. Paul's	(A)	3:00
Hockey (B JV1)	ST. JOHN'S	(H)	6:45
Hockey (B V)	K.U.A.	(H)	4:45
Hockey (G JV)	Holderness	(A)	3:45
Hockey (G V)	TABOR	(H)	2:45
Skiing Nordic	K.U.A.	(A)	2:45
Squash (B JV1)	Belmont Hill	(A)	3:00
Squash (B JV2)	CONCORD ACADEMY	(H)	4:15
Squash (B V)	Belmont Hill	(A)	3:00
Squash (G JV1)	St. Paul's	(A)	2:30
Squash (G V)	St. Paul's	(A)	2:30
Swimming (B V)	WORCESTER	(H)	3:30
Swimming (G V)	WORCESTER	(H)	3:30
Track (B JV)	EXETER	(H)	3:00
Track (G JV)	EXETER	(H)	3:00
Wrestling (B JV)	BROOKS	(H)	3:00
Wrestling (B V)	BROOKS	(H)	3:00

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 11

Basketball (B V)	BEAVER COUNTRY DAY	(H)	4:30
Basketball (G V)	Brooks	(A)	4:30
Hockey (B V)	Pingree	(A)	5:00
Hockey (G V)	N.M.H.	(H)	6:30

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 12

Basketball (G JV2)	TABOR	(H)	1:30
Hockey (B JV1)	CHELMSFORD	(H)	1:00
Hockey (B V)	Belmont Hill	(A)	2:00
Hockey (G JV)	ACTON-BOXBORO	(H)	3:30
Swimming (B V)	Suffield/Williston	(A)	2:30
Swimming (G V)	Suffield/Williston	(A)	2:30
Wrestling (B JV)	EXETER/TABOR/HYDE/ WINNACUNNETT	(H)	2:30

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 14

Hockey (G JV)	PIKE SCHOOL	(H)	3:00

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 16

Basketball (B JV1)	Worcester	(A)	3:00
Basketball (B JV2)	PINGREE (JV)	(H)	5:00
Basketball (B V)	Worcester	(A)	3:00
Basketball (G JV1)	B.B.&N.	(H)	3:15
Basketball (G JV2)	Shore Country Day	(A)	3:45
Basketball (G V)	B.B.&N.	(H)	3:15
Hockey (B JV1)	AUSTIN PREP	(H)	3:00
Hockey (B V)	CUSHING	(H)	5:00
Hockey (G V)	Noble & Greenough	(A)	5:45
Skiing Nordic	Putney Lakes Region Champs	(A)	2:45
Squash (B JV1)	Noble & Greenough	(A)	3:45
Squash (B JV2)	Noble & Greenough	(A)	3:45
Squash (B V)	St. George's	(A)	3:45
Squash (G JV1)	WINSOR	(H)	3:45
Squash (G JV2)	WINSOR	(H)	3:45
Swimming (B JV)	ST. GEORGE'S/BERWICK	(H)	3:30
Swimming (G JV)	ST. GEORGE'S/BERWICK	(H)	3:30
Track (B V)	CENTRAL CATHOLIC HIGH	(H)	3:30
Track (G V)	CENTRAL CATHOLIC HIGH	(H)	3:30
Wrestling (B JV)	Exeter	(A)	4:00
Wrestling (B V)	Exeter	(A)	3:00

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 18

Basketball (B JV1)	N.M.H.	(A)	6:00
Basketball (B V)	N.M.H.	(A)	6:00
Hockey (G V)	MILTON	(H)	5:15
Squash (B V)	GROTON	(H)	4:45
Squash (G JV1)	Groton	(A)	4:00
Squash (G JV2)	GROTON	(H)	4:15
Squash (G V)	Groton	(A)	4:00
Wrestling (B V)	INTERSCHOLASTICS	(H)	5:00

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 19

Basketball (G JV1)	N.M.H.	(A)	11:00
Basketball (G V)	N.M.H.	(A)	11:00
Hockey (B JV1)	Tabor	(A)	3:00
Hockey (B V)	Tabor	(A)	1:00
Hockey (G V)	Brooks	(A)	1:30
Squash (B JV2)	Belmont Hill	(A)	11:00
Wrestling (B V)	INTERSCHOLASTICS	(H)	9:00

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 23

Basketball (B JV1)	DEERFIELD	(H)	4:30
Basketball (B V)	DEERFIELD	(H)	4:30
Basketball (G JV2)	B.B.&N.	(A)	3:00
Hockey (B JV1)	BELMONT HILL	(H)	5:30
Hockey (B V)	N.M.H.	(A)	3:45
Hockey (G JV)	ST. PAUL'S	(H)	3:30
Hockey (G V)	Holderness	(A)	4:30
Skiing Nordic	NEPSAC	(A)	2:45
Squash (B JV1)	EXETER	(H)	2:30
Squash (B JV2)	EXETER	(H)	2:30
Squash (B V)	EXETER	(H)	2:30
Squash (G JV1)	Exeter	(A)	2:30
Squash (G JV2)	Exeter	(A)	2:30
Squash (G V)	Exeter	(A)	2:30
Swimming (B V)	Exeter	(A)	3:30
Swimming (G V)	Exeter	(A)	3:30
Track (B V)	EXETER	(H)	2:30
Track (B JV)	EXETER	(H)	2:30
Track (G V)	EXETER	(H)	2:30
Track (G JV)	EXETER	(H)	2:30

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 24

Wrestling (B V)	Nationals	(A)	12:00

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 25

Squash (B V)	Interscholastics	(A)	9:00
Squash (G V)	Interscholastics	(A)	9:00

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 26

Basketball (B JV1)	EXETER	(H)	3:00
Basketball (B V)	EXETER	(H)	7:00
Basketball (G JV1)	EXETER	(H)	1:00
Basketball (G V)	EXETER	(H)	5:00
Hockey (B JV1)	EXETER	(H)	2:00
Hockey (B V)	EXETER	(H)	4:00
Hockey (G JV)	EXETER	(H)	12:00
Hockey (G V)	EXETER	(H)	6:00
Squash (B V)	Interscholastics	(A)	9:00
Squash (G V)	Interscholastics	(A)	9:00
Swimming (B JV)	EXETER	(H)	2:00
Swimming (G JV)	EXETER	(H)	2:00
Track (B V)	Maine USATF	(A)	12:00
Track (G V)	Maine USATF	(A)	12:00
Wrestling (B JV)	Tournament@NMH	(A)	10:00

FRIDAY, MARCH 3

Wrestling (B V)	New Englands	(A)	TBA

SATURDAY, MARCH 4

Diving Girls	Interscholastics	(A)	TBA
Swimming (G V)	Interscholastics	(A)	TBA
Track (B V)	Eastern States Meets	(A)	TBA
Track (G V)	Eastern States Meets	(A)	TBA
Wrestling (B V)	New Englands	(A)	TBA

SUNDAY, MARCH 5

Diving Boys	Interscholastics	(A)	TBA
Swimming (B V)	Interscholastics	(A)	TBA

SATURDAY, MARCH 11

Track (B V)	Nationals	(A)	TBA
Track (G V)	Nationals	(A)	TBA

SPORT: Basketball - Boys

YEAR: 1999-2000

CAPTAIN: Marco Davila
HOME ADDRESS:

MANAGER: Candace Douglas, Cassandra James, Bonnie Oliva
HOME ADDRESS:

COACH: Leon Modeste
ASSISTANT COACHES:

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LETTER WINNERS

Burke, Sterlind
Carr, Nathaniel
Davila, Marco
Ivory, Terrell
James, Cassandra
Jones, Jarreau B.
Jones, Jason
Kinneen, Bryan
Lemire, Joseph
Long, Daniel
McArdle, Lucas
Saccoccia, Beau
Thurber, Davis

BOYS' BASKETBALL

			PA	OPP
Wed. Dec. 1, 1999	(H)	Holderness	89	72
Thurs. Dec. 2, 1999	(A)	Brooks (scrimmage)	not reported	
Sat. Dec. 4, 1999	(H)	Cushing	91	65
Sun. Dec. 12, 1999	(H)	Harvard	87	79
Mon. Dec. 13, 1999	(A)	Loomis-Chaffee	not reported	
Tues. Dec. 14, 1999	(A)	New Hampton	47	121
Sat. Jan. 8, 2000	(H)	Choate	84	80
Mon. Jan. 10, 2000	(A)	Governor Dummer	54	57
Sat. Jan 15, 2000	(H)	Tabor	80	91
Wed. Jan. 19, 2000	(A)	Brewster Academy	80	73
Sat. Jan. 22, 2000	(A)	Holy Cross JV	86	82
Wed. Jan. 26, 2000	(A)	Exeter	81	73
Fri. Jan. 28, 2000	(H)	N.M.H.	80	89
Wed. Feb. 2, 2000	(H)	Bridgton Academy	51	77
Fri. Feb 4, 2000	(A)	Thayer	91	97
Fri. Feb. 11, 2000	(H)	Beaver County Day	107	63
Wed. Feb 16, 2000	(A)	Worcester	54	83
Wed. Feb. 23, 2000	(H)	Deerfield	44	36
Sat. Feb. 26, 2000	(H)	Exeter	canceled	

BOYS' HOOPS DEFEATS CHOATE

DOWN 20 PTS, BOUNCE BACK

Postgraduates Ivory, Jones Combine for 28 Points

1/8/00

by Eric Newman
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	84
Choate	80

"Never say 'die'." With about a minute and a half left on the clock, Coach Leon Modeste throws down the clipboard, knocks over a cup of Gatorade in haste, and gets the eyes of his team upon him. "Here we go boys. We're coming out hard, we're coming out strong. Let's do it, blue on 3!" Coming out of the huddle, the Big Blue players utter the words "focus, dominate, focus, dominate." With about a minute left on the clock, down by a basket-post graduate, Terrell Ivory, shakes and bakes, drives down the lane, blows past the flailing arms of the defender—basket, and one! On the ensuing possession, the ballhandler trapped amidst two Andover defenders is forced to throw up a prayer. That miss and Jason Jones' two clutch free throws in the waning seconds of the game wraps up a 84-80 come from behind victory over Choate.

Yet, the 84-80comeback victory over Choate was not all fun and games. Last Saturday started off like any other Saturday for Big Blue Basketball. Coach Modeste analyzed the scouting report for Choate, and Captain Marco Davilla '00 energized the team. As the twelve members of the team huddled together for the Lord's Prayer, one could feel the heat rise up from the cement floor of the locker room. After a series of chest bumps, the Big Blue came out of the locker banging on the walls and screaming "dominate!"

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But Andover came out flat, and Choate dominated the game's first ten minutes. Midway through the first half, due to careless ball-handling, dead legs, and a bunch of telegraphed passes, Choate was up by about twenty. The quick hands of Choate snatched away poor passes from weary Andover players. Big Blue shooters settled for off-balance, low percentage jumpers, shooting a miserable twenty percent from the field. On the other side of the floor, Choate was on fire. Keala Mills pushed the ball up the "parquet" and pulled up for the deep bomb all day long. Choate lit it up outside with silky smooth jump shots. A pair of trifectas from way downtown, along with some not too friendly gestures, punctuated Choate's first half shellacking of Andover.

However, the tone of the game would change. Well into the first half, Coach Mo called a much-needed time-out. Following the break, the team slowed down, took its time in the half-court offense, and changed its defensive set. The defense switched into a triangle two format, where two guys play man-to-man and their teammates play in a zone. This defensive change enabled Andover to secure the perimeter and crash the boards. Choate would drive the lane, only to be greeted by Beau Saccoccia '00. After Andover controlled the glass and blocked numerous Choate layups, the transition game began to flow. Ivory and fellow post-graduate Luke McArdle pushed the ball up the court, hit the defense with a killer crossover, and took it to the rack. On the other end, the Big Blue worked the ball in and out from the perimeter down to the post. Led by Captain Marco Davila '00, McArdle's lightening quick first-step, and Ivory's flamboyance, Andover crawled back to within 4. Although it looked like Andover was nearing a twenty-point comeback victory, Choate did not throw in the towel. Keala Mills pushed the ball up the court, gave a head fake to create some space, and then stopped on a dime for the pull-up jumper. In all, his forty points almost single-handedly beat the Big Blue. Yet, the 28 points put up by both Ivory and Jason Jones '00 proved just enough for the victory. After the game, Captain Davila remarked that it was a big win in league competition and the 84-80 come-from-behind victory over Choate will get the fans out to the games.

BOYS' BASKETBALL COMES FROM BEHIND TO TOP CHOATE 84-80

Boys' Hoops Loses to Tabor; Rebounds to Defeat Brewster

Tabor	91
Andover	80

Andover	80
Brewster	73

by Eric Newman
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

"Let's keep this streak rolling baby. Let's come out of the gates roaring. We're going to bring it to 'em hard. What time is it? Game time! I can't hear you baby! Game time! O. K., let's do it, blue on 3!" With those words in mind, Andover bursts out of the locker room, slaps the exit sign on the door, throws down some jams in warm-ups, and then eventually runs into a brick wall—Tabor. Francis' monster jam à la Shaq punctuated Tabor's 91-80 shellacking of Andover. Sometimes, a basketball game is a lot closer than the score indicates. Well, in this case, the Big Blue looked like it lost by a lot more than the score indicated.

From the start, the Big Blue looked a little lackadaisical. Andover did not crash the boards, did not work the ball in and out, passed poorly around the perimeter, and settled for low percentage shots or last second shot heroics by post-graduates Terrell Ivory and Jason Jones. In the words of Bob Sackamano, "Those Tabor boys were just too damn big. They clogged up the lane. No wonder why we're settling for those long range jumpers." If it wasn't for two pull-up threes by Ivory, or a drive into the lane by Jones, Andover would have been finished. On the other side of the court, Watson was the bus driver, and he was taking everyone to school. He put on a stutter-step, got the defense off balance, soared over the outstretched arms of the defender, and drew contact. In the first half, Tabor was making a living from the line. If the Tabor point guards could not get to the line, then they would penetrate, draw the defenders, and then dish it off to their big man. The Tabor point guards, led by the highflying Watson, picked apart Andover's 3-2 zone. The quickness of the Tabor point guards, along with the power and size of their big men, sent Andover back to the lockers down by 15. In the second half, Andover came out of the lockers with great enthusiasm. In the first few minutes of the second half, Jones called for the ball, backed his defender in, spun to get enough room, drew contact, and dropped it in. That play, followed up by a fist pump, was Miller's Genuine Moment of the game. On the ensuing possession, Tabor's big men started crashing the boards. Their guard put on the killer crossover and took the ball to the rack. The Tabor defense sealed the perimeter, created turnovers, and then got out to the races. Andover could no longer hope to win, but just to keep it a game. Watson took over the game and used his hops to get to the rim. Ivory tried to match by scoring 30 points, and post-graduate Luke McArdle hit some Sprewellesque runners in the lane, but their last minute efforts weren't enough. Tabor prevailed by a score of 91-80.

This Wednesday, the Big Blue filed into the big yellow unheated bus, drove three hours, and beat Brewster Academy, 80-73. After huddling together for the Lord's Prayer, captain Marco Davila '00 challenged his teammates to play up to their potential. After a series of chest bumps and a couple of "get at me, dogs," Andover journeyed out onto the "parquet." I think it's safe to say that our Blue Warriors made amends for the previous loss. The Big Blue came out of the gates like bees buzzing. It took advantage of the less-talented Brewster Academy squad. Andover maintained about a ten point lead throughout the entire game. In the half-court offense, the Big Blue worked the ball in and out with crisp passes. Jones and Ivory scored a combined total of 49 points. Davila shaked and baked, took it to the hole, and ate up Brewster Academy's 1-3-1 zone. On the defensive end, Andover played man-to-man trapping defense. McArdle's quick hands stripped the ball from Brewster's point guard and got off to the races.

However, Brewster Academy was no pushover. In the opening minutes of the second half, Brewster hit a couple of quick threes. Its big bodies kept Andover out of the middle and crashed the boards. However, Andover's athleticism and quickness proved too much. As the point guard of Brewster hesitantly brought the ball up the court, his hand shook and his legs shivered. Rather than making a crisp pass to his teammate, he bobbled the ball out of bounds. Brewster's uncertainty with the ball allowed the Big Blue defense to pounce on their ballhandlers and to create some wide open transition buckets.

Although Andover lost last Saturday's game against Tabor 91-80, the Big Blue sure bounced back quickly with a convincing 80-73 win over Brewster Academy. The Big Blue is 2-1 in the Prep Five and is in good shape in the standings. Next game, we're going to take it to' em.

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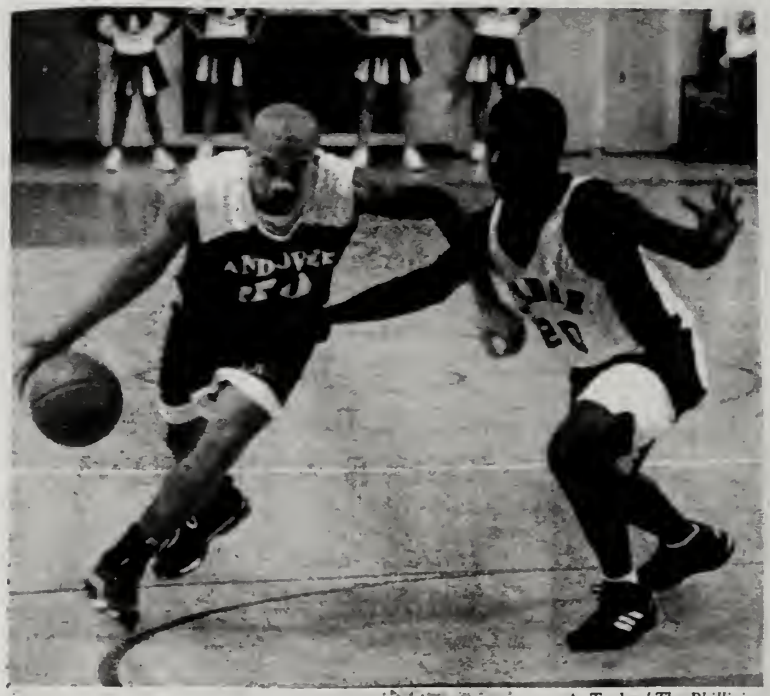

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Postgraduate Terrell Ivory drives the lane in Saturday's loss to Tabor

Basketball

The boys split the week, losing to a dominant Tabor squad but overpowering a weaker Brewster team.

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A. Tucker/ *The Phillipian*

Big Blue Eats Up the Red Meat as Boys' Hoops Defeats Exeter 82-73

by Xavier Newman
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	**82**
Exeter	**73**

This is when the big dogs come out to eat. And what do big dogs eat? Darn right, red meat! Yeah, I know, Exeter might have the size, but remember, "it's not the size of the dog in the fight, it's the size of the fight in the dog." So, let's eat 'em like the mutton that they are. Bite into their offense, pick apart their defense, and chomp on the scraps. So, "get at me dog and give me a ruff, ruff!" This Wednesday, Andover came out of the kennel and took a bite out of Exeter. Postgraduate Jason Jones' power finishes and in-your-face attitude punctuated an 81-73 Andover dogfight over a fundamentally sound Exeter team. The afternoon game started off with all the hype that was expected. As 500+ Exies pounded their feet against the metal bleachers, twelve Big Blue players entered the EX-E-Dome and huddled around for the Lord's Prayer. After the Lord's Prayer, Coach Mo mapped out Andover's game plan. A couple of minutes before gametime, Marco Davila '00 fired up the hounds (with some words of wisdom from the O.D.B.) and instructed them to draw blood at first contact. As the Big Blue stormed out of the Deacon's Den, they barked out "confidence, focus, dominate." Terrell Ivory '00 and Luke McArdle '00 played a game of "who's your daddy?" otherwise known to Mr. Barry as "horse." Meanwhile, Davis Thurber '00 got up off the bench to shoot around, and then he sat right back down.

After an auspicious "jamscam session," otherwise known to Mr. Barry as the "warmups," the Big Blue Bloodhounds rolled over on their bellies and took a whooping from Exeter's sharpshooting guard, Cratty who pulled up and knocked down some long-range jumpers in his 32-point effort. About five minutes into the first half, Big Blue found themselves down by about 10 points and in desperate need of a leader. In response to the miserable start, Bob Sackamano hollered out, "These Exies are just too hot from downtown! These boys are just too damn sloppy with the ball."

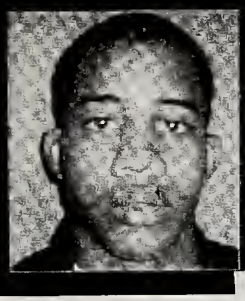
About halfway through the first half, the Big Blue Bloodhounds unleashed an arsenal of power and finesse. On the ensuing possession, Jason Jones, "the game's Dutch Boy in the Paint," calls for the ball at the top of the key, backs down a slow-footed bigman, spins to the basket, and drops it in. After Jones' score, the Bib Blue Bloodhounds bit down on the red meat. Luke McCardle put on a stutter step, crossed over, got his defender off balance, and popped a jumper over his Exeter defender. On the offensive end of the court, the Big Blue Bloodhounds worked the ball in and out in a half-court offensive set with one man in the high post, another in the low post, two players on the wings, and Terrell Ivory running the point. Ivory threaded the needle with Jason Williamsesque passes to create good scoring opportunities for his teammates. On the defensive end, Andover play man-to-man. Marco Davila's paws secured the perimeter, while Beau Saccocia '00 shut down Exeter's big men.

Exeter was no pushover, however. The Exies stormed out of the gates, in fact. Exeter's guards knocked down a couple of threes, and forced turnovers on the defensive end. Halfway through the second-half, Exeter found itself down by only two baskets. But once again, the Big Blue Hounds grinded their teeth and munched on the red meat. With a melange of deep bombs and pull-up jumpers, the Big Blue Bloodhounds were just too tough, biting down at every opportunity. Big Beau Saccocia stepped it up, knocking down dos trifectas. As usual, Terrell Ivory continued to pick apart Exeter's straight-up man-to-man defense. On the defensive end, Marco Davila swiped at the ball, created the turnovers, and got his team out to the races as fast as a greyhound. As all the components of Andover's game started to mesh, the Big Blue Bloodhounds took it to the rack and drew the fouls. Jason Jones led the way with 22 points and put the finishing touches on an 81-73 Andover victory. Yet another year passes, and the Big Blue Bloodhounds as usual seem to chew up and spit out a weaker, uncoordinated, utterly perplexed, sordid piece of red meat. "Let's keep going boys and put the smack down on next week's prey."

1/26/00

Athlete Of The Week

by Alan Ginsberg
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS ASSOCIATE



Terrell Ivory '00

"[Terrell] is clearly the leader of the basketball team, on and off the court." —Luke McArdle '00

After scoring sixteen points and dishing out thirteen assists to help the boys' varsity basketball team defeat arch-rival Phillips Exeter Academy on Wednesday, post-graduate guard Terrell Ivory is the Athlete of the Week.

Terrell has lived in Charlotte, North Carolina, his entire life with his father and mother until his father's death in April 1998. Terrell has two brothers, Titus '96, who is currently a senior basketball player at Pennsylvania State University, and Robert Graham, who lives in Charlotte. In addition, he has a sister, Lisa Johnson, who lives in Detroit.

Terrell started playing basketball at age three, when his father first put a basketball in his hands. At age five, Terrell joined the local Y.M.C.A., playing for the Long Creek team for six years. During his tenure, the team won five league championships, taking second place in the only year it failed to win the title, while Terrell was named league Most Valuable Player each of the six years.

When he was eleven years old, Terrell began to play AAU basketball for the Charlotte Royals. With the team, Terrell competed in the national tournament five times, finishing as high as tenth, when he was fifteen. The team also won the North Carolina state championship last year in the nineteen-and-under division and finished second in the state when it played in the fifteen-and-under division.

Before coming to Phillips Academy, Terrell attended North Mecklenburg High School. During his sophomore year, Terrell's first at the school (high school starts in the tenth grade in Charlotte), he played for the varsity team that finished with a 13-13 record. The following year, Terrell averaged eleven points per game and garnered All-Conference honors while leading the team to the conference championship. Then, as a senior, Terrell upped his scoring average to thirteen points per game and was named to the All-Tournament team at the Freedom Invitational, a Christmas tournament, during the season. At the end of the year, Terrell was again named All-Conference and the team won its second straight conference championship.

As he neared the end of his high school career, Terrell began thinking about following Titus' footsteps and attending Phillips Academy. According to Terrell, Andover "was perfect for Titus" and Terrell knew it "could not hurt" him, so he decided to come. As it turns out, Terrell says P. A. is "helping [him] more than anything."

Thus far, Terrell has led the boys' varsity basketball team to a 7-4 record by scoring thirty or more points four times, including 30 in the team's season-opening 89-72 victory over Holderness, 31 in an 87-79 victory over the Harvard University junior varsity team, and 30 more in Saturday's 86-82 loss to the Holy Cross junior varsity squad. Other scoring outbursts from Terrell include his 24 points in a 91-65 thrashing of Cushing Academy, 28 points in a tight, 84-80 win over Choate, and 27 points in an 80-73 victory over Brewster Academy. Overall, Terrell has averaged 24.5 points per game to place him among area leaders. However, teammate and fellow post-graduate Luke McArdle says Terrell's importance to the team goes beyond his scoring totals: "In whatever sport [Terrell] plays, he's a great competitor who hates losing. He's clearly the leader of the basketball team, on and off the court." Terrell, though, remains modest, commenting "[my teammates] let me be a leader out there by listening to me." He adds, "Beau [Saccoccia '00] has been shooting well the last two games, which has helped us a lot." In anticipating the remainder of the season, Terrell is looking for the squad to "just play hard, even against [its] biggest adversaries, and be a team."

Off the basketball court, Terrell is also a standout football player, despite only having played the sport for four years. Terrell began playing as a sophomore because Titus, who is, according to Terrell, "the big influence in my life", played. By the end of the season, Terrell had been moved up to the varsity squad as a wide receiver. As an ninth-grader, Terrell was named All-Conference, and the following year he made his only high school touchdown reception in the last game of the season.

However, Terrell's low number of touchdown receptions was not because he was lacking skill, but simply because his team ran the ball much more often than it passed. As evidence, one can point to Terrell's six touchdown receptions for the pass-dominated, New England Champion Big Blue this year. Finally receiving the chance to play a major role in an offense, Terrell capitalized on the opportunity. In a 34-20 victory over Hotchkiss, Terrell caught five passes for ninety-seven yards and one touchdown. Then, in the team's dominating, 29-0 triumph over Northfield-Mount Hermon, Terrell hauled in a sixty-five yard touchdown pass from quarterback Marc Hordon '00. Finally, Terrell caught the winning touchdown pass with 1:01 remaining in Andover's 26-21, come-from-behind victory over Deerfield Academy.

Characteristically crediting his teammates with his success, Terrell explains that "we had a real good quarterback, and you can't say enough about [fellow receiver] Luke [McArdle]. We just complemented each other, they'd double team him and leave me open. I give him credit for about ninety-nine percent of my catches."

Outside of athletics, Terrell participated in Jack and Jill, a service club, and was a member of the National Honor Society in high school. At Phillips Academy, Terrell participates in AfLatAm. Regarding college, Terrell is sure he will play basketball and is considering playing football as well. His top choices are Cornell, the University of Pennsylvania, and Davidson, because of its proximity to Terrell's home. Terrell hopes to major in either sports management or physical therapy and use this degree to stay around basketball, either as a professional or collegiate trainer or as a high school coach.

Finally, Terrell makes sure to thank his late father, his brother Titus, who has "been taking care of [him] since [his] Dad passed," and his girlfriend Nicole Folson for their help and support. Judging by the success he is currently enjoying, they are certainly doing a very good job.

BOYS' BASKETBALL SUFFERS TOUGH BACK-TO-BACK LOSSES

by Xavier Newman
THE X-FACTOR

NMH	82
Andover	73

Bridgton	77
Andover	51

How bad do you want it? Beat 'em down low, crash the boards, and get out to the races. Well, this Wednesday night against Bridgton, the Big Blue did none of that. Rumbling, bumbling, stumbling, Andover got shellacked 77-51. Post-graduate Jason Jones' marquee spin move to the hoop, swatted back by Bridgton's seven-foot Manute Bol look-alike, showed that the Big Blue was out its league. If Bridgton was the equivalent of an NBA team, the Big Blue was on a par with an weak, flat-footed United Arab Emirates national team. After Andover's promising 82-73 win over the Red Meat last week, the Big Blue bowed down to the speed and size of Bridgton.

While the crowd packed into the Phillo-Dome, the Big Blue brewed in the Deacon's Den. As Coach Mo deciphered the cryptic PA playbook in Old English, Captain Marco Davila '00 sparked the team with rapology. After the Lord's Prayer, the Big Blue burst out of the Den, slapped the walls, and threw down some jams with as much vigor as Al Gore at the New Hampshire Primary.

When the game started, Bridgton exploded with run-and-gun style, drive-shoot-shake-'n-bake, streetball. The quick hands of Bridgton knocked the ball out of Andover's hands, creating fast-break, aerial opportunities. The Bridgton shooting guard crossed over on the flat-footed 2-3 Blue zone defense, slashed through the lane, and took it to the rack. As the big bodies battled underneath, the Bridgton guards lit it up from downtown. Taking advantage of as many fast breaks as possible, the Sprewellish speed demons blew by the Big Blue's small, slow transition defense. Bridgton also owned the paint and dominated the boards. Bridgton's seven footer boxed out the Andover big men, bumped elbows with Jason Jones, and brought down many offensive rebounds, creating a multitude of second opportunities. On the offensive end, Andover bobbed and weaved right into the mitts of the Bridgton big boys. As a result, Bridgton's tenacious, doomsday defense forced the Big Blue to settle for low-percentage, Pedrag Stojakovicesque shots. Fortunately, the sharpshooting of post-graduates guard Terrell Ivory and Beau Saccocia '00 kept the Blue somewhere between a quasi-whooping and a bad loss. At the end of the first half, the Big Blue found themselves down by about twenty. In response to Bridgton's spanking of the now weary, exhausted, not indefatigable, and clearly outmatched Big Blue, Bob Sackamano remarked, "the house

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A. Tucker/ *The Phillipian*

Post Graduate Jason Jones drives to the hole against Bridgton Wednesday.

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TOUGH WEEK FOR BOYS' BASKETBALL AS TEAM FALLS TO N.M.H., BRIDGTON

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is falling down, and papa can't find the door. What are these Big Blue Bloodhounds gonna do about it?"

In the second half, the Big Blue did not fare any better. Bridgton continued to run-'n-gun, bumping up their lead to 28 at one point. When the Bridgton subs went to the scorer's table, Andover bought a couple baskets. As Bridgton's pressure caused a weak pass, Bridgton's shooting guard intercepted the ball and soared above the rim. Approaching the end of the game, Bridgeton passed the ball around the perimeter, knifed it in to the big man to the post, and then dished the rock back out for a trey – "Miller Time." That Miller Light Moment punctuated Bridgton's 77-51 thrashing of Andover. In the loosing effort, Terrell Ivory led the way with 13 points.

Not to worry, though – Bob Sackamano didn't. Brigdton is a basketball powerhouse. Last week, it beat up on New Hampton, a team funneling players to the University of Indiana.

As Bob Sackamano said, "Forget about it!" The Big Blue is still in second place in the Prep Five behind Tabor. Next week, the Big Blue will travel down to Thayer and attempt to sneak in a win. Next week, we are going to take it to 'em raw, chew them up, and spit Thayer out.

Boys' Basketball Drops Third Straight

by Eric Newman
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Thayer	**94**
Andover	**85**

It is five o'clock on a cold Friday Evening. And it ain't getting no warmer inside! Running and gunning, Thayer trounced Andover 94-85. Eleven Big Blue warriors packed into a small yellow school bus, going seventy-five on Old School Lane through the woods of Massachusetts and into the wilds of Thayer. As Andover swaggered into the Thayer Colosseum, the crowd spit some shells like Taco Bell. Oh yes indeed, it was a game of trash talk and skywalk—and we weren't doing much of the walking.

While the Thayerians banged on the steel bleachers, the Big Blue made some noise of its own in the Deacon's Den. As Coach Mo mapped out the strategy, talking about picks, v-cuts, and zones, Marco Davila '00 spiced up the clubhouse with some hard-hitting lyrics. After a series of chest-bumps and pounds, Avalon led his team out the lockers of pain, slapped the cinderblock walls, journeyed out onto the parquet, and threw down some jams.

In the first half, Andover came out as dead from the field as Charlie Sheen's film career. The Big Blue worked the ball around the perimeter, spun to the hoop, and slashed to the lane, but could not buy a bucket. After hitting the first bucket, the boys came up empty on the next few possessions. As Bob Sackamano remarked,

"There was something cooking, but the Big Blue could not find the batter." While the Big Blue was stymied, coming up short on many of its jumpers, Thayer put the smack down, draining shots from all areas of the cylinder. After hitting their first few fieldgoals, the Tigers crossed over, blew past the flailing arms of the Andover defenders, and took it to the rack Gunga Style. Thayer's outside, sharpshooting game complemented its athletic inside game, stepping back behind the arc and knocking down nine threes.

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On the defensive end, can you spell transition game? Good Lord! Thayer's defense swatted the ball away from the nervous hands of Big Blue ballhandlers 12 times, got off to the races, and threw down a couple monster jams à la ancient Charles Barkley. And out of the Barkley chronicles, Thayer was not afraid to put the smack down, espousing trashtalk like the best of them. According to Nat Carr '00, every time a Thayer player hit a free throw, one of the guards would say, "Gravy!" Throwing aside the Mouth of Magnitude and all that Dennis Rodmanesque "yo mamma" trashtalk, the Big Blue found itself down by 13 at the half, and it wasn't pretty. But stay tuned, because the Big Blue turned it around in the second-half looking like the Dream Team. Terrell Ivory '00 shook it up and got in Thayer's face, dropping 27 points while Jason Jones '00 complemented Ivory's effort with 24 of his own. As the Big Blue inched its way back into the game, Ivory and Saccocia dropped dos trifectas, raising the roof. When Andover's offense picked up, the Big Blue's tenacious, doomsday defense clenched down and wrapped its mitts around Thayer's neck—talk about a freak show! The Big Blue got big, swatting back six balls, jumping on 14 steals, and crashing the boards for 33 rebounds. As the Big Blue drew within 10, Thayer's big scorers John Hurley and Daniel Ashton drained some long-range jumpers, combining for 44 points. Although the Big Blue outplayed and outscored Thayer 52 to 48 in the segundo half, Thayer's first half 13 point lead proved too much as the Big Blue fell short 94 to 85. I don't want to hear any carping. Andover managed to stay in second place in the Prep Five behind Tabor, and as Bob Sackamano said, "Forget about it!" The Big Blue played a hell of second half, knocking down jumpers, driving to the basket, crashing the boards, and clamping down on defense. Next week, the Big Blue will hit 'em up hard, punish 'em down low, boss 'em around, and stick it to Beaver Country Day.

Boys' Basketball Whips BCD, Suffers Lopsided Loss vs. Worcester

by David Frisch
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

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Beaver Country Day	63

Worcester Academy	83
Andover	54

With only five games remaining going into last Saturday night, the Boys' Varsity Basketball team was faced with two options. Either it could lose to Beaver Country Day School and spoil its chances of making the playoffs and eventually winning the New England Championship, or it could win, and begin what could be an unbelievable finish to a mediocre season. At the beginning of the first half, it looked as though the team was still undecided as to which choice to make.

The young, inexperienced, small Beaver Country Day team came out on fire. They drained threes from downtown on offense, and forced Andover to rush shots on defense. They jumped out to early 17-7 lead, but slowly, the Big Blue decided to wake up, cutting the lead to 19-13 with twelve minutes left in the first half, and finally tying the game with nine minutes to go. But it would take much more than a little run to discourage the Beaver Country Day boys.

Luckily for Andover, Terrell Ivory '00 knew exactly what it would take. The professional-like post-grad lit the court up for twenty-seven of his thirty-four points in the first half. Thirty-four points! Ivory was lighting it up from inside the arc, outside the arc and even hit one from so far out that the ref called the basket no good and said Ivory was out of bounds. Anyway, with the points on the board, PA had to shore up the defense. Specialists Bryan Kinneen '00 and Beau Soccoccia '00 stopped the Beaver scoring with rebounds, steals, blocks, and all-around hard work. Their effort not only discouraged the opposing team, but also set an example for the rest of the Big Blue. The first half ended with the score Andover 49, BCD 37.

It was all PA in the second half. With the bleachers full of excited, rambunctious students, the Varsity put on a show. Jason Jones '00 led the way with nineteen points (twenty-three in the game), helped by contributions from the rest of the team. Davis Thurber '00 had five points, three of them on a pretty shot from outside the arc. Luke McArdle '00 finished with twelve and assisted Ivory numerous times. Daniel Long '00 had two, Captain Marco Davila '00 six, and Sterlind Burke '00 had four. Nat Carr '00 and J.B. Jones '00 came off the bench with tough defense. And Joe Lemire '01 was awesome. He had a double-double, two points and two rebounds, and he had one assist, one steal, and one phat block. Final score: 107-63, Andover.

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Captain Marco Davila '00 drives to the hoop during Wednesday's victory over a weak BCD squad.

On Wednesday afternoon, our Big Blue was not so fortunate as they took a road trip to Worcester Academy. It was all Worcester all game, beating Andover 83-54. Jones played extremely well, scoring twenty-one points and keeping the game somewhat close. Our boys worked hard, but they were clearly overmatched and oversized by the talented Worcester team.

Give some credit to the Andover Boys Varsity Basketball team though. Their record, 8-7, isn't as good as some might have hoped earlier in the season it would be, but the boys continue to give one hundred percent day in and day out. Davila, Soccoccia, and Carr have continued to show leadership throughout the year and others like Ivory, Jones, McArdle, and Kinneen have made huge contributions. Coach Mo's enthusiasm has not lessened over this brutal winter. It's clear that if he were allowed to run up and down the sidelines firing his players up like he does in football, he would not hesitate to do so. With three games left, the Varsity still has a chance to win the Prep 5 League Championship, but first they must meet NMH in a Friday night showdown. Will the Big Blue come ready to play...and win?

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Boys' Basketball

The Boys' Basketball team rebounded from an early deficit against Beaver Country Day, eventually eclipsing the 100-point mark, led by Terrell Ivory '00 and Jason Jones '00. *-pg. 11*

Boys Basketball Manufactures Hard-Fought Victory vs. Deerfield

by Dave Frisch and Rob Smith
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITERS

Deerfield	**50**
Andover	**63**

The Boys Varsity Basketball team, well-rested after a snow storm caused the cancelation of last Friday's game, came out against Deerfield last Wednesday mentally focused and determined to win.

From start to finish, the Big Blue played unselfish, team basketball. The offense was solid as usual, but the intensity on defense and the desire to win on both sides of the ball really thrilled the home crowd. On this day, Andover would hold nothing back. As a team, the boys had nineteen steals and forty rebounds. They took two charges and had two blocks; it was a team effort.

Postgraduates Jason Jones and Terrell Ivory put on a spectacular offensive show. Jones led the way with 26 points and was a force in the paint, grabbing twelve rebounds and four steals. The highlight of the game, though, came when Jones led a fast break and stuffed a dazzling one-handed slam dunk.

Ivory led the team offensively as well, earning a double-double with thirteen points from the point-guard position, and also passed off thirteen assists. He controlled the offensive flow of the game by distributing the ball well and scoring crucial baskets early in the game.

The rest of the team also provided solid play, with each player contributing to the offense and hustling on defense. Captain Marco Davila '00 notched ten points, seven rebounds, four steals, and two assists. Postgraduate Brian Kinneen grabbed four boards and three steals. Carving out his own county under the net, Beau Saccoccia '00 held onto seven boards while Postgraduate Sterlind Burke also brought down seven rebounds and scored four points.

Deerfield did put up a fight, especially in the second half. Andover seemed to pressure the ball at all times and forced a number of unnecessary turnovers. Additionally, the new 2-3 defensive zone employed by Coach

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Jason Jones '00 is forced to leave the game after being hit by a Deerfield opponent, but not before he had scored a team-leading 26 points.

Boys Hoops End Season 9-8

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After intercepting an errant Deerfield pass, Terrell Ivory '00 races down the court en route to two of his 13 points.

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Modeste disabled the Deerfield offense and didn't allow any easy baskets, only perimeter shots.

After falling ten points behind at the half, Deerfield got fired up by the strong play of their two 6'7" forwards. But the Green from Deerfield were still no match for the Big Blue and Andover triumphed by a final score of 63-50.

Coach Leon Modeste is confident in his team, as he explained immediately after the win, "When we played smart offense and team defense, we did well, no matter who the opponent was."

Unfortunately, the boys' varsity basketball team was unable to properly conclude their season after Coach Leon Modeste and the rest of the athletic department decided against any athletic contests on Saturday.

This was a disappointing end to a rather mediocre season for the Big Blue. The team finished 9-8 and chose not to be considered for the tournament this coming weekend. Although the team's final record was only average, there is much more to smile about than wins and losses.

This was a team full of contributors. Terrell Ivory and Jason Jones led the team in scoring. Day in and day out, they put the points on the board and gave Andover a shot at winning. They included others in the offense and gave the fans something to cheer about. On defense, Brian Kinneen and Beau Seccocccia stopped other teams and always turned momentum Andover's way. They batted in e out and even scored once in v Captain Marco Davilla, Joe '01, and Nat Carr '00 also con leading the team on and off t They did what they were ask and always showed mature a Post-graduates Luke McArdle Long, and Sterlind Burke alwa huge contributions and stepp pressure situations. Davis Thu J.B. Jones were also key mer the team. In practice and in ga gave one hundred percent a lenged the starters to do so as

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Although the final record season did not turn out like had hoped, there is always n With eleven spots open, it is be a whole new team with a ne to win. With new PGs and ne classmen joining him, Joe Le team's only returning player, possibly tell what is in store future. When asked for to com turned, calmly hit a jump sho and said, "Win or lose, next y gonna play!"

SPORT: BASKETBALL - GIRLS

YEAR: 1999-2000

CAPTAIN: Aimionoizomo Akade
HOME ADDRESS:

MANAGER: Chrystal Akor
HOME ADDRESS:

COACH: Karen Kennedy
ASSISTANT COACHES:

SEASON RECORD

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LETTER WINNERS

Ajose, Olubunmi
Akade, Aimionoizomo
Akor, Chrystal
Anneberg, Christine
Bramwell, Elizabeth
Butler, Louisa
Hu, Mei Mei
Lind, Caroline
Muscatel, Mistina
Okike, Christine
Tsai, Lauren
Vardaro, Danielle
Woitkowski, Dasen
Woodin, Heather
Zukerman, Alexandra

GIRLS' BASKETBALL

			PA	OPP
Wed. Dec. 1, 1999	(A)	Brewster Academy	54	15
Thurs. Dec. 2, 1999	(H)	Brooks (scrimmage)	not recorded	
Sat. Dec. 4, 1999	(A)	Governor Dummer	51	39
Sat. Dec. 11, 1999	(H)	Thayer (scrimmage)	40	30
Sun. Dec. 12, 1999	(H)	Harvard	41	36
Mon. Dec. 13, 1999	(A)	Loomis-Chaffee	not reported	
Tues. Dec. 14, 1999	(A)	New Hampton	not reported	
Sat. Jan. 8, 2000	(H)	Choate	59	17
Wed. Jan. 12, 2000	(A)	Tabor	66	70
Sat. Jan. 15, 2000	(A)	Milton	58	55
Wed. Jan. 19, 2000	(H)	N.M.H.	59	36
Sat. Jan. 22, 2000	(H)	Deerfield	64	46
Wed. Jan. 26, 2000	(H)	N.A.P.S.	52	30
Fri. JAn. 28, 2000	(H)	Suffield	54	57
Wed. Feb. 2, 2000	(H)	Cushing	58	18
Sat. Feb. 5, 2000	(A)	Exeter	68	62
Wed. Feb. 9, 2000	(A)	St. Paul's	64	46
Fri. Feb. 11, 2000	(A)	Brooks	not reported	
Wed. Feb. 16, 2000	(H)	B.B.&N.	60	28
Sat. Feb. 26, 2000	(H)	Exeter	canceled	
Wed. March 1, 2000	(H)	B.B.&N. Tournament	67	46

Girls' Hoops' Undefeated Streak Comes to an End in Heartbreaker

by Diana Dosik
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	59
Choate	17

Tabor	59
Andover	55

GIRLS BASKETBALL

With three victories over break and the destruction of the Choate team, 59-17, girls' varsity basketball seems to be starting the new millennium on the right foot, with high prospects for rest of the season.

Though last Saturday's game against Choate was their first since vacation, the girls' season has far from "just begun." In addition to tryouts and preliminary games in the beginning of December, Andover went head to head against Harvard JV, Loomis-Chaffee, and New Hampton. Harvard was no match for the Big Blue, succumbing to a powerful offense led by PG Dasen Woitkowski by a final score of 41-36. Against Loomis-Chaffee's talented squad, Heather Woodin '01 drained a three-pointer which brought the game to overtime, while freshman Danielle Vardaro calmly sank two clutch free throws for a 59-55 win. Though PA snagged the victory, Loomis took out center Elizabeth Bramwell '00, leaving her with an ankle injury that would keep her out of at least the next two games. In the following game against New Hampton, Bramwell's absence was felt, and after a sluggish start by the Blue, the score was tied at half time. However, the final 30 minutes belonged to Andover, as it outscored New Hampton by eleven for a 50-39 victory.

Coming into the post-holiday season with an impressive record, the players were excited about the big game against Choate. The girls started out aggressively and maintained their intensity, grabbing the early lead and cruising to a 32-point victory. The Blue played tenacious defense, limiting the opposing offense to only seventeen points. Strong ball movement and accurate shots impressed newcomer Woitkowski: "Every player has unique talents that they bring to the court; we play as a team!" Joining the roster for the first time as well were Mistina Muscatel '01, Alexandra Zukerman '01, Danielle Vardara '03, and Caroline Lind '02. Returnees Mei Mei Hu '00, Olubunmi Ajose '00, Lauren Tsai'00, Christine Okike '01, Christine Anneberg '00, Louisa Butler '02, Heather Woodin '01, and Captain Aimionoizomo Akade '00 endorse Woitkowski's confidence in the team: "We are expected to be a top squad in the league...we have a very deep and talented team."

Despite their shining record, PA emerged from the two-hour bus ride to Tabor a little anxious. Tabor was the top team in the league, and the girls expected a tough contest. In addition, the Big Blue was not as big as usual; Akade fell ill on Tuesday with the flu and was unable to play, and Bramwell's injury kept her on the bench. Shaking off their nerves, the Andover girls came onto the court with a fierce attitude. After committing three fouls during the first half, Woitkowski was also pulled out so that she could have a chance to play the second half. The score was tight all the way through, and by the half Tabor was up 34-32. Despite a stellar second half, PA was unable to break Tabor's hold, and the final buzzer froze the score at 70-66 Tabor. "We played catch-up the entire game," admitted Varsity Coach Karen Kennedy. Though it was always within ten points of their opponents, sometimes four, and once even two, PA just could not push the numbers over the edge. Top scorers Tsai, Lind, and Woitkowski powered the offense, while forward Okike and Lind racked up nine rebounds each. "Everyone stepped up and played with intensity," Woitkowski asserted. "We never let down." A terrific effort was made by all, and "it was a very exciting game between two very good teams," claimed Coach Kennedy. Team members agree that had Momo and Bramwell jumped on the court, the victory would have been Andover's. "We only lost by six; if we had had Momo and Bramwell, that would add at least ten points," claimed new lower Lind. Hopefully, the playoffs will give the team that chance.

Despite the influx of newcomers and the girls' lack of familiarity with each other, girls' varsity basketball is running quite smoothly. "We have an incredible team...the seniors are great and everyone brings something to the court," enthused Lind. "Momo is an amazing point guard, and Dasen can play anything." Team unity runs high among the girls, through team dinners and time spent hanging out together. Attributing Wednesday night's loss to absent players and nothing more, the girls are confident that they can compete for the championship, and even win it. Undefeated in spirit, the vibrant Blue looks forward to an away game against Milton tomorrow night.

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GIRLS' HOOPS IMPROVES TO 10-1 RECORD

DEFEATS MILTON AND NMH

Return of Key Players

Bramwell, Akade Powers Team

by Diana Dosik
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	58
Milton	55

Andover	59
NMH	36

Clinching a 58-55 victory over top team Milton Academy on Saturday night, girls' varsity basketball was relieved and excited to have its two hardest games of the season behind them

Despite a disappointing loss against Tabor last Wednesday, PA was ready to challenge Milton, the next-toughest team in the league. Milton boasts a notoriously talented senior, as well as a new tenth grader named Nicole Wolff who "can do anything; no one has found a way to stop her," admitted Coach Karen Kennedy.

For most of the game, Andover played the underdog, trailing closely behind Milton until there were only six minutes left to play. "It was close all the way through…both teams wanted to build a little bit of a cushion, and that really never happened," observed the coach. Luckily, the tension of the game did not push either team to desperate measures; neither team had an excessive number of fouls, and play was clean for the most part. "We came out a little flat," explained post-grad Dasen Woitkowski. "We tried to mentally prepare for the game, but, to start, people just weren't all there." However, the return of Captain Momo Akade '00 and Liz Bramwell '00 strengthened the squad, and the half-time buzzer sounded with the score 28-28. "It was nice to have [Liz] back, and of course it was nice to have Momo back, as they are the two four-year players," asserted Coach Kennedy. Despite her absence from the Tabor game due to influenza, Momo played "as if she hadn't missed a game," pulling in seven rebounds. Heather Woodin '01 had an amazing defensive game, covering the unstoppable Wolff. Christine Okike '01 shot 50% from the floor and 67% from the line, while Woitkowski chipped in 14 points.

With Milton and Tabor behind them, the Andover girls were ready to focus on the rest of their schedule. "We are still in the process of growing together. Every game that we play identifies things that we need to work on," the coach clarified. The team is certainly off to a good start in terms of growing together. The new team members quickly and easily fit in, promoting a strong sense of team unity. Misty Muscatel '01 is "doing a great job of accepting and enhancing her role on the team," and Dasen is "a lot of fun," continued Kennedy. New lower Caroline Lind turned out to be the big star of Saturday night's game, "making five of seven shots from the free-throw line, grabbing 12 rebounds and racking up 23 points for the team," Kennedy pointed out. Lind also played an integral role in the final seconds of the victory, preventing the opposition from evening the score by taking an offensive charge with 11 seconds left. "That was huge, because they could have tied the game, but instead we got the ball back."

Despite a slow start on Wednesday against NMH, the Big Blue dug in for the second half and extended a 24-21 half-time lead to a fabulous 59-36 victory. At the end of the first half, the teams were tied 19-19. A jump-shot from Woitkowski and a beautiful three-pointer by Akade pulled Andover into the lead, but NMH fought back, snagging a quick shot before the buzzer. Coming back with renewed intensity, PA started the second half with another three-pointer from Woitkowski. Focusing on powerful defense and quick, controlled offense, the girls took over the court, scoring nine more points and conceding only one as they neared the 12-minute mark. Sensing a digression in the pace, Coach Kennedy called a time out and reminded the team of the importance of movement. "You have to move the ball, and you have to move yourselves," she instructed. "Read the numbers; don't put the ball where the white is, put it where they're not." The crowd held its breath as a push at 11:29 sent post-graduate Dasen Woitkowski sprawling on the ground and limping to the bench. Taking another time out with eight minutes to go, Kennedy spelled out additional advice: "You have to recover faster…tomorrow we are going to work on recovery. Don't rush, take the good shot; don't let them make you take a shot you don't want to take." The exuberant cheers of SLAM echoed from behind the basket, keeping the crowd lively and the excitement high. Ultimately, Dasen Woitkowski '00 racked up 16 points, Akade scored 13, and both Lind and Lauren Tsai '00 tallied five. Also, Danielle Vardaro '03 picked up six points, Bramwell snared four, as did Christine Okike '01, and Alex Zuckerman '01, Louisa Butler '02, and Muscatel all pulled off two. The foul count was low throughout, finishing at seven for PA and three for NMH. After two satisfying wins, the team looks forward to next Saturday's home game against Deerfield at 3:30.

The success of this week's games is unfortunately countered by a dent in the team. Despite Bramwell's comeback from an old ankle injury, her playing time was again cut short by another, more intimate wound. Last year, Bramwell was diagnosed with syndrome of intensified vertigo, which sends shock waves of dizziness across her brain when she stands up too quickly or exerts herself excessively. Coming off of a week of illness and exercise abstinence due to her hurt ankle, Bramwell's body was unable to handle the pace of the game and she passed out on the bench during Saturday's contest. "I didn't panic, because I know it isn't good to panic, but of course I was concerned." Spending the night at Isham and resting up all day Sunday, Bramwell feared she would have to observe Wednesday's game from the sidelines. However, she pushed for the doctor's O. K., and after jogging up and down the bench a bit to build up a strong blood flow, Bramwell jumped into the action, scoring four points for her team. Coach Kennedy took her out when she was slow and shaky to rise from a minor tussle on the floor, but Bramwell played 22 minutes of the second half and did an amazing job.

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Basketball Captain Momo Akade '00 shoots for two.

Athlete Of The Week

Dasen Woitkowski '00

"[Dasen's] a very talented player that can pretty much do everything *on the court."*

—Louisa Butler '02

by Alan Ginsberg
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Having led the girls' varsity basketball team to victories over Milton and Northfield-Mount Hermon in the past seven days, thus helping the team improve its record to 10-1, post-graduate Dasen Woitkowski is this week's Athlete of the Week.

Dasen has spent her entire life in Pittsfield, Massachusetts, with her parents, older sisters Kara and Jaclyn, and younger brother Ray. It was there that she first began playing basketball, when, early in her elementary school career, Dasen's parents signed her up for the Catholic Youth Center League to "keep [her] out of trouble." Dasen enjoyed the sport and the league so much that she continued playing for her team, Notre Dame, through her eighth grade year, helping it to the championship during both her seventh and eighth grade seasons. She also won numerous league awards, including both all-star and most valuable player status and sportsmanship awards in various tournaments.

Beginning in eighth grade and continuing until she graduated high school, Dasen played for the Albany Capitals, an AAU team. With the team, she traveled to many tournaments, including ones in New York and Massachusetts and the well-known Blue Chips Shootout in Pennsylvania.

Dasen attended Pittsfield High School, where, as a freshman, she made the varsity basketball team. Starting at guard, Dasen scored 19-points-per-game, one of the top averages in the Division I Northern Division, hauled down six rebounds per contest, and dished out four assists per game. In doing so, she led the team to the finals of the Massachusetts state tournament, where it lost to Merrimack Valley powerhouse Haverhill High School. However, Dasen's outstanding season was recognized when she was named All-Berkshire and a Western Massachusetts Honorable Mention.

As a sophomore, Dasen scored 18-points-per-game, again placing her among the Northern Division leaders, and tallied eight rebounds and four assists per game. Throughout the course of the season, she was named NYNEX Player of the Game multiple times. Then, after leading the team to the Western Massachusetts tournament, Dasen was again named both All-Berkshire and Western Massachusetts Honorable Mention.

Having had such a tremendous start to her high school basketball career, Dasen expected more great things in her final two years. However, she lost her entire junior season to a torn anterior cruciate ligament (ACL). Then, one-quarter of the way through her senior season, Captain Dasen tore her other ACL, ending her high school career. At the time she was hurt, Dasen was the top scorer in the league and the team was undefeated. However, following her injury, the team went into a slump, going 5-8 in its last thirteen games to finish 15-8.

Wanting to play Division I athletics in college and fearful that she would not be able to do so due to her terrible injuries during her last two years of high school, Dasen decided to take a post-graduate year at a New England preparatory school. After considering Suffield, Deerfield, Choate, and Loomis-Chaffee, Andover's academic and athletic reputation convinced Dasen that it was the school for her. Dasen was again plagued by injury problems at the beginning of this season, missing the year's first two games because of a back injury and losing two more to a pulled hip flexor, but she began making an impact as soon as she stepped on the court. In her first game, against the Harvard JV squad, Dasen scored seventeen points in the team's 39-36 victory. Then, against Loomis-Chaffee, where Dasen had once considered attending, she had her best game of the season, scoring twenty-one points to lead the team to an exhilarating, 59-55 overtime victory. Following that, Dasen contributed fourteen points and ten rebounds in a 50-39 triumph over New Hampton and eight points, four assists, four steals, and four rebounds in a 59-17 blowout over Choate in which she spent more time than usual on the bench to allow younger players to gain some experience. Last Wednesday, the team traveled to Tabor, which featured several NCAA Division I prospects. Missing four-year players Momo Akade '00 and Liz Bramwell '00 because of illness and injury, respectively, the girls remained close for virtually the entire game, eventually losing the nail-biter in the final minutes. Nonetheless, the girls wasted no time in resuming their winning ways, beating Milton 58-55 on Saturday, with Dasen contributing fourteen points. Then, Wednesday, the girls continued their new winning streak, beating NMH. Louisa Butler '02 describes the impact Dasen has had:

"She's a very talented player that can do pretty much everything on the court: passing, driving to the hoop, bringing the ball up, or shooting. She's a great leader." In looking towards the rest of the season, Dasen volunteers, "I'd love to win the title."

Although perhaps her main focus, basketball is far from Dasen's only sport. She began playing soccer in elementary school and, in eighth grade, led her Dalton (one of Pittsfield's neighboring towns) team to a Massachusetts state championship, winning the most valuable player award in the process. Then, she played center forward for the Pittsfield High School varsity squad through her junior year in high school, being named the team's best offensive player, an All-Berkshire performer, and an All-Western Massachusetts player in both her sophomore and junior years and being nominated to the All-State team as an eleventh grader. However, when her senior fall came around, Dasen did not want to risk re-injuring her knee, and thus chose not to play.

In the spring, Dasen plays softball, another sport that she first picked up in elementary school. Playing as a catcher for a Dalton team through eighth grade, Dasen helped the team to numerous tournament victories. As a sophomore at Pittsfield High, she helped the team to the state finals, where it lost to Taunton, while earning both All-Berkshire and All-Western Massachusetts honors. Despite her knee problems, Dasen hopes to continue her softball career here in the fall.

Outside of sports, Dasen participated in numerous clubs at Pittsfield, including the French club, Math League, and SADD. She also participated in community service at local museums, the library, and the boys and girls club, and was a member of the National Honor Society.

Here at Andover, Dasen is a member of the Andover Ambassadors Club and participated in community service through the Breadloaf Pen Pals program in the fall.Looking towards next year, Dasen hopes to major in either sports management, which she believes would lead to a pre-law concentration and a career as a sports agent, or marketing. She would like to play either basketball or softball at a Division I institution, and her top choices are Notre Dame and Boston College.

However, she is also considering the University of Pennsylvania, Bucknell, Tulane, Duquesne, and the University of Massachusetts at Amherst, where she deferred her enrollment last year. Wherever she goes, it is clear that Dasen will continue to be successfully involved in athletics for a long time.

Girls' Basketball Defeats Deerfield, Ousts Naval Prep; Improves to 12-1

by Diana Dosik
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	64
Deerfield	46

Andover	52
N.A.P.S.	30

GIRLS BASKETBALL

A big win against Deerfield last Saturday was great cause for celebration, as Andover's 2000 team handily defeated a squad which beat PA last season.

The game began sketchily, as both teams incurred fouls within the first few minutes, and it seemed as if the ball was just going back and forth for free throws. PG Dasen Woitkowski had trouble keeping her cool while a suave Deerfield star slyly pushed her around the floor. Woitkowski finally fouled her back and was taken out of the game with two fouls to cool off.

"I was just annoyed, because some of their calls were so obviously wrong, and [the refs] missed so much." Clearly, Woitkowski wasn't the only victim of the infamous "Number Eleven." Known to many Andover athletes from the fall field hockey season, the Deerfield player was remembered as a vicious attacker. "She grabbed my arm!" claimed Caroline Lind '02 after loosing the ball to the spiky-haired opponent. Although Big Blue certainly didn't like getting mauled, the team racked up a lot of points on foul shots, as Christine Anneberg '00, Caroline Lind '00, Momo Akade '00, Dasen Woitkowski '00, and Danielle Vardara '03 all made double baskets from the free throw line. Using time-outs to discuss strategy and coverage, PA moved efficiently to shut down the Deerfield threat. Elizabeth Bramwell '00 towered over the quick and dangerous forward, smoothly blocking many of her shots. Coach Kennedy also instructed Lind to keep her arms straight up and not lean forward, after Lind had earned a foul by defending with her arms diagonally outwards. After a few minutes of rest, an energized Woitkowski also returned to the court towards the end of the first half. Focused and observant, she executed a sweet block, zooming into the path of a pass and batting the ball out of bounds. The scoreboard blared 29-19 at the end of the first half, while SLAM and the Varsity girls sounded a slightly different tune: Assistant Coach Sarah Manekin humbly accepted songs and best wishes for her birthday. During this mid-game break, Coach Kennedy carefully reminded the team that the game was not over. "When Deerfield played Milton, they were down by fourteen points at the half, and they came back to tie it. Forget the score—it's 0-0. Our ten-point lead means nothing."

Lauren Tsai '00 started the second half on the right foot with a three-pointer in the first few seconds, and the rest of the team fiercely followed her lead. A terrific play earned the Big Blue another two points as Woitkowski passed to Heather Woodin '00 from the top of the arc. Woodin then swiftly zoomed it back to Woitkowski as she cut under the basket for an easy lay-up. The excitement continued, climaxing when the ball was ripped out of Akade's hands as she tried to signal a time out. Apparently, the refs did not see her signal and the Deerfield player dribbled wide open down the court for an unguarded basket. But the Blue spirit was unbroken, and Lauren Tsai caught fire, scoring two three-pointers within 30 seconds with eleven minutes on the clock. Woitkowski managed to pull off a miraculous basket as she flew to the floor, having tripped on her drive to the hoop. Desperately attempting to run and gun, Deerfield turned nasty, blatantly grabbing anything within reach. With only a few seconds to go, Woitkowski heaved the ball from "down town" for a final basket. The ball bounced off the backboard as the buzzer sounded a Blue victory, 64-46. The scoring breakdown attributed 11 points each to both Tsai '00 and Akade '00, 5 to Vardaro '03 and Lind '02, 2 for Bramwell '00 and Okike '01, 7 by Woodin '01, 4 from Anneberg '00, and 17 points made by high-scorer Woitkowski.

Though Andover's 52-30 win over N.A.P.S. on the following Wednesday was not its splashiest victory, it was certainly its most honorable. Coach Kennedy refused to uselessly humiliate the seven members of the weak Naval Academy team, and instead turned the competition into an effective drill for the team's less-experienced members. With starting regulars Momo Akade '00 and Dasen Woitkowski '00 cheering from the bench, Louisa Butler '02, Misty Muscatel '01, Mei Mei Hu '00, Alexandra Zuckerman '01, and Olubunmi Ajose '00 took the court. When the score

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Girls' Hoops Triumphs

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reached 0-6, the Big Blue made a few adjustments, and Woodin put Andover on the board with a three-pointer at the 9-minute mark. By halftime, the Blue had come back from its deficit and tied the score 18-18, without the help of team superstars Tsai, Woitkowski, or Lind. During timeouts, Coach Kennedy corrected team errors, and reminded the girls of the purpose of the game. "I want you to work on your technical game, to feel good with the ball, to find a rhythm and get used to that rhythm." Despite abnormally long periods on the bench, the Blue starters realized the importance of strengthening the team as a whole.

Taking the place of the absent SLAM, senior team members cheered on their fellow teammates, encouraging them and allowing them to work on their skills. During the second half, after a beautiful play between Woodin and Hu resulted in a swishing basket, Assistant Coach Sarah Manekin beamed at Coach Kennedy: "We did that in practice!" Keeping the team and the program as a whole in mind, Kennedy gave extensive playing time to the younger players, as well as to girls who may not have seen as much action in a tighter game. With several minutes before the final buzzer, Butler took a nasty fall and limped to the sidelines with a twisted ankle. With PG Woitkowski resting the entire game, and Akade and Tsai each playing bare minutes, Andover's 52 points were scored by Mei Mei Hu (4), Misty Muscatel (8), Heather Woodin (9), Alex Zuckerman (10), Lauren Tsai (3), Danielle Vardaro (3), Christine Anneberg (4), Liz Bramwell (4), Caroline Lind (5), and Louisa Butler (2).

The triumphant Blue varsity hopes to continue its winning ways tonight at 5 p.m. against Suffield.

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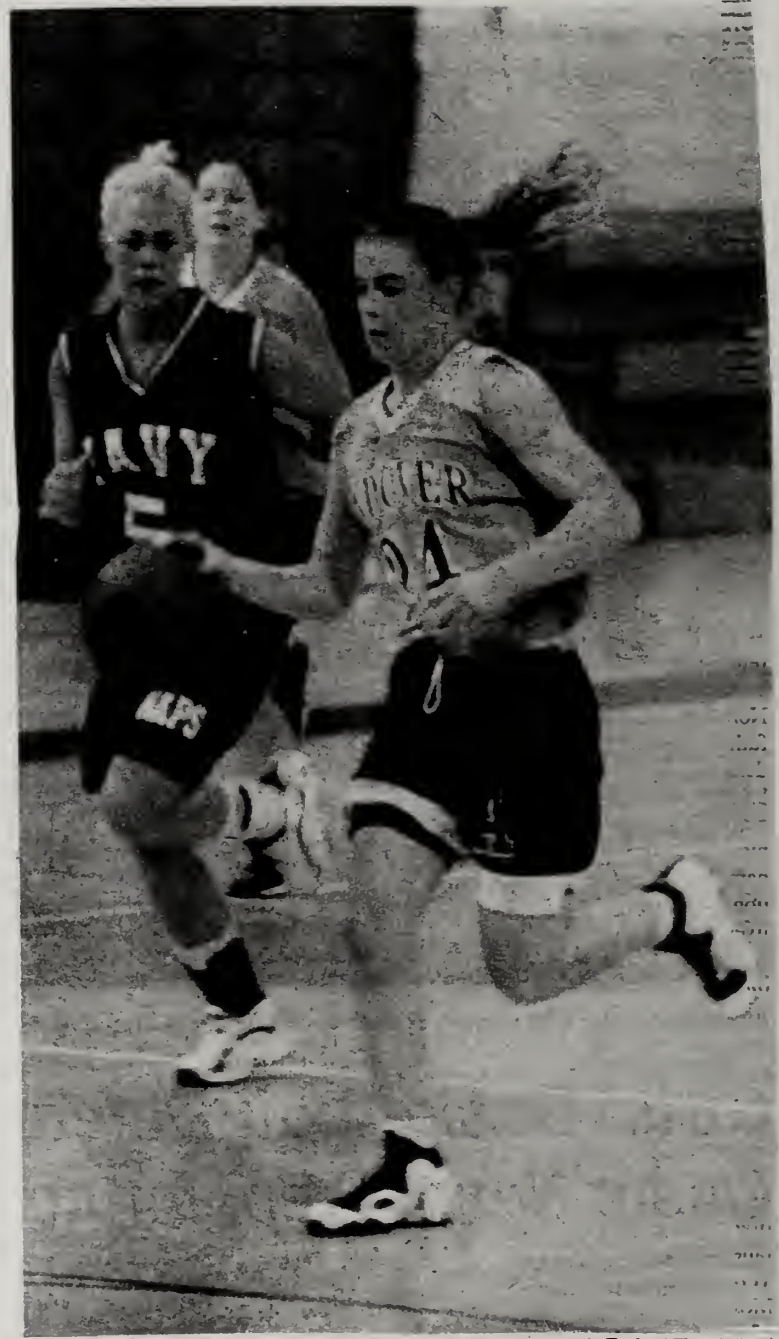

A. Tucker/ *The Phillipian*

Louisa Butler '02 brings the ball upcourt in the girls win over NAPS.

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Christine Anneberg '00 controls the ball through traffic in Wednesday's ousting of Naval Academy Prep.

Girls' Basketball Beats Two Top Opponents; Edges Exeter 68-62; Slams St. Paul's 63-44

by Diana Dosik
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	68
Exeter	62

Andover	63
St. Paul's	44

After an exhilarating 68-62 victory over Exeter, the Girls' Varsity Basketball team returned to Andover \Exeter had maintained a very strong shooting posture for the first 16 minutes, leaving Andover fighting to keep up, 28-35. Despite strong movement with the ball, "we just weren't keeping up on the defense...the offense was strong, but they were making easy layups," analyzed Dasen Woitkowski '00. Andover committed many unnecessary fouls out of frustration, allowing Exeter to sink easy shots from the line after every mistake. During half time, Coach Kennedy advised minor adjustments to post defense and offensive execution, and PA took the court for the second half with renewed spirit. "Someone has to be a spark on this team," asserted Kennedy. But instead of igniting just one player, the whole team pitched in to build a fire. Cheering from the bench and communication on the court brought strength and energy to the Blue game. Despite a battle with the flu just the night before, Christine Okike '01 had a fabulous rebounding game, constantly dominating the boards. Early in the second half, the Big Blue soared back into the fray, making solid shots from the floor and from the line. PA sealed four quick points before Exeter could even manage one basket, bringing the score to 32-35. Lauren Tsai's '00 three-point fire flamed for the seventh consecutive game in a row, earning 9 points for her team. Momo Akade '00 played an outstanding game, running the point and countering Exeter's pressure defense. "Nearly flawless from the line," according to Coach Karen Kennedy, Akade poured in 11 points. Bravely conquering physical limitations, Liz Bramwell '00 was back on track, scoring 8 points in the first half alone, and swishing another basket in the second. Caroline Lind '02 took a spectacular offensive charge in the second half and racked up 12 points, while high-scorer Dasen Woitkowski added 15 to the team total. In addition to high-powered play by the team starters, PA's deep bench provided a constant source of new energy. Heather Woodin '01 came out in the second half to hit "a key three-pointer late in the game." Teammate Woitkowski further praised the poised player: "Woodin is someone who, if we were down by three in the last two seconds of a game, I would give the ball to — she's really good under pressure." Christine Anneberg's '00 defensive athleticism allowed her to dominate oncoming opponents, and Danielle Vardaro '03 "continues to play strong as she grows in her confidence and decision making," noticed Kennedy. Alex Zuckerman '01 also played well, building on her strong performance last week against Cushing. The score yo-yoed back and forth until two minutes remained in the game. PA was able to remain steady and take a lead which it maintained it all the way to a victorious finish.

The Big Blue rounded out the week nicely with a 63-44 win over St. Paul's on Wednesday. After Tsai brought the team up from a 4-6 deficit with an early three-pointer, Andover dominated and retained the lead for the remainder of the game. Although she was trampled by her opponent and then disregarded by the refs, Lind had an outstanding rebounding game. Akade deftly found her contender's weakness and exploited it throughout the game, burning her with speed and drive to the basket. Woitkowski kept the team energized with her determination to execute, and Tsai ruled the three-point land once again. Ajose made a stellar rebound and basket towards the finish that was "one of the highlights of the game." However, PA's numerical victory could not disguise the loss of focus. "We weren't playing as a team...we goofed off in practice and it showed." Coach Kennedy did not let the overwhelming triumph cloud her convictions either: "[they were] playing with talent, and not executing." The team agreed that a championship could not be won without team effort and determination despite weak competition. Heeding Kennedy's suggestion that a team meeting was in order, the Big Blue congregated at the back of the bus for the ride home. Together they concluded that "talent can't win everything," and that they would have to play 110 percent at every practice to compete with the higher-caliber teams. Andover looks to continue this win streak tonight in North Andover against Brooks.

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Caroline Lind '02 posts up on an BB&N defender, who tries to stop an inevitable two-points. The Sophmore starter helped her team dominate the paint with her team-leading five rebounds.

Girls' Varsity Basketball Doubles Up BB&N; Akade '00 Leads With 16

by Diana Dosik
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS ASSOCIATE

Andover	60
BB&N	28

A practice and scrimmage with Brooks last Friday prepared the Big Blue to conquer BB&N, 60-28. Points were scored by Misty Muscatel '01 (2), Momo Akade '00 (16), Alex Zuckerman '01 (9), Christine Okike '01 (4), Danielle Vardaro '03 (5), Christine Anneberg '00 (3), Louisa Butler '02 (2), Caroline Lind '02 (4) Heather Woodin '01 (2), and Dasen Woitkowski '00 (7).

Because Andover effortlessly crushed Brooks last time the teams met, both teams deemed a rematch unnecessary. Thus, their match was transformed into a practice and scrimmage at Brooks, where both teams' coaches were able to stop play and informally instruct throughout the exercises.

This brief respite from challenging play prepared the girls for Wednesday's home game, at which Coach Kennedy began with a simple statement, breaking it down further for clarity: "You guys know what you have to do. McGuire [BB&N's star player] is out with the flu, but that doesn't mean anything." When the starting whistle blew, Lind tipped the ball off to Akade, who dribbled down court, scored, and took a foul which reaped another basket; 3-0 Blue after just the first few seconds. Four minutes later, a flawless give-and-go between Woitkowski and Akade brought the score to 11-1. However, beneath the flashy scoring frenzy, a clear discordance was evident in the girls' passing, communication, and defense. "Three missed passes in a row," pointed out Kennedy, shaking her head.

The Blue incurred multiple defensive fouls because of rushing and flat-footedness. "You have to learn how to play defense, how to stop the other team, without fouling," Kennedy told the team in a subsequent time-out. "You're fouling because you are jumping-in, not organized, and not settled on defense." The coach had changed the offense after a considerable scoring differential was reached, but was disappointed to see this change generate a loss of energy in Andover hustle and

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GIRLS' BASKETBALL IMPROVES TO 12-1 ON SEASON

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an increase in BB&N's score.

The Blue finished out the half strongly, with some terrific baskets by Zuckerman, a swishing foul shot from Vardaro, and an amazing toss from way out by Butler with less than a second on the shot clock which fell right into the net. As the team settled in its usual corner for a half-time chat, Kennedy cut to the chase.

"I don't care about the score [35-18]. We need to *clean it up*. What does that mean?" Various team members responded, mentioning turnovers, bad passes, lofty passes, poor rebounding, and allowing the opponent to win loose balls. To this list Kennedy added "seeing"; describing an open contender under the basket as well as missed passing and shooting opportunities. Kennedy reminded the girls to "see" everything, to pay attention, to communicate, and to work together. "Your challenge is to go over every challenge they present. Overcome their challenges, and let me challenge you, because that's when you get the real test of what you need to know." The girls returned to the court, determined to "clean-up" their game. An intense final minute of play brought the game to a powerful close, with Muscatel dropping in the final basket for the Big Blue.

Since all the Blue players had court time, everyone was able to contribute to the game. Akade had 2 rebounds, 4 assists, and 4 steals, Tsai brought in 1 rebound, 1 assist, and 2 steals, Anneberg finished with 5 rebounds and 2 assists, and Bramwell made 3 rebounds and 1 assist. Olubunmi Ajose '00 had 2 rebounds and 3 steals, Woodin added 5 rebounds and 1 steal, and Woitkowski racked up 2 rebounds, 3 assists, and 1 steal. Muscatel made 3 rebounds and 3 steals, Zuckerman grabbed 2 rebounds, 1 assist, and 1 steal, and Okike snagged 8 rebounds, 1 assist, and 2 steals. Representing the lower-classmen of the team, Butler scored 1 rebound and 1 assist, Lind had 5 rebounds, and Vardaro made 5 rebounds and 3 steals.

2/16/00

SPORT: HOCKEY - BOYS

YEAR: 1999-2000

CAPTAIN: Michael Turner
HOME ADDRESS:

MANAGER: Anissa Smith
HOME ADDRESS:

COACH: Christopher Gurry
ASSISTANT COACHES: Dean Boylan

SEASON RECORD

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LETTER WINNERS

Blanch, Justin
Chase, Eric
Clark, Brian
Cropp, Ian
Daniels, Timothy
Darci, SCott
Dempsey, Ryan
Freeman, Michael
Hall, Benjamin
Mead, Steven
Novak, Theodore
Ottariano, Mark
Paa, Michael
Peltz, Matthew
Resor, Charles
Rotondi, Eugene
Salini, Andrew
Sinex, Jonathan
Smith, Anissa
Turner, Michael
Ward, Scott
Weiner, Christopher
Yorty, Christopher

BOYS' HOCKEY			PA	OPP	
Wed. Dec. 1, 1999	(A)	St. Paul's	3	4	OT
Sat. Dec. 4, 1999	(A)	St. Mark's School	7	5	
Sat. Dec. 11, 1999	(A)	Harvard	3	2	OT
Sun. Dec. 12, 1999	(H)	Tabor	5	0	
Mon. Dec. 13, 1999	(H)	Milton	5	5	OT
Fri. Dec. 17, 1999	(A)	Deerfield	2	4	
Sat. Dec. 18, 1999	(A)	Nobles	2	4	
Sun. Dec. 19, 1999	(A)	Salisbury	4	3	
Sun. Dec. 19, 1999	(A)	Westminster	1	1	OT
Sat. Jan. 8, 2000	(H)	Choate	4	2	
Sun. Jan. 9, 2000	(H)	Alumni	8	6	
Wed. Jan. 12, 2000	(H)	Bridgton	5	2	
Sat. Jan. 15, 2000	(A)	Exeter	6	3	
Wed. Jan. 19, 2000	(H)	St. Sebastions	1	4	
Sat. Jan. 22, 2000	(A)	Nobles	0	5	
Mon. Jan. 24, 2000	(H)	Lawrence	0	5	
Wed. Jan. 26, 2000	(A)	Middlesex	5	2	
Sat. Jan. 29. 2000	(A)	Loomis-Chaffee	4	2	
Wed. Feb. 2, 2000	(H)	Deerfield	3	1	
Sat. Feb. 5, 2000	(A)	B.B.&N	1	0	OT
Wed. Feb. 9, 2000	(H)	KUA	5	0	
Fri. Feb. 11, 2000	(A)	Pingree	3	2	OT
Sat. Feb. 12, 2000	(A)	Belmont Hill	4	2	
Wed. Feb. 16, 2000	(H)	Cushing	2	5	
Wed. Jan. 23, 2000	(A)	N.M.H.	0	4	
Wed. MArch 1, 2000	(A)	Exeter	0	4	

SQUAD STATISTICS

	NAME & HOME ADDRESS	HEIGHT	WEIGHT	CLASS	POSITION
#2	Scott Darci Marblehead, MA	5'9	170	2001-U	Center
#3	Michael Turner Melrose, MA	6'1	205	2000-S	Defense
#5	Scott Ward Boxford MA	6'1	190	2001-U	Defense
#7	Matthew Peltz Mt. Kisco, NY	5'11	180	2002-L	Defense
8	Eric Chase Montclair, NJ	5'10	175	2001-U	Defense
9	Jonathan Sinex Rutland, VT	5'10	185	2000-S	Wing
#10	Michael Murphy Andover, MA	5'9	170	2000-S	Wing
11	Steven Mead Warminster, PA	5'9	175	2001-U	Defense
12	Brian Clark Lexington, MA	5'8	145	2000-S	Wing
#14	Tim Daniels Topsfield, MA	5'11	173	2001-U	Defense / Wing
#15	Charles Hesor Greenwich, CT	5'10	170	2000-S	Wing
#16	Christopher Weiner Andover, MA	5'8	180	2001-U	Defense / Wing
#17	Ian Gropp Williamsville, NY	5'9	165	2001-U	Wing
#18	Justin Blanch Tewksbury, MA	5'10	170	2000-S	Center

SQUAD STATISTICS

	NAME & HOME ADDRESS	HEIGHT	WEIGHT	CLASS	POSITION
#19	Ryan Dempsey Malvern, PA	6'1	210	2000-S	Defense
#23	Mark Ottariano Reading, MA	6'0	190	2000-S	Defense
#24	Andrew J. Salini Andover, MA	6'2	180	2002-L	Wing
#25	Eugene Rotondi Winchester, MA	5'8	165	2001-U	Center
#26	Christopher Yorty Richboro, PA	6'1	180	2000-S	Defense
#27	Michael Freeman Pemprokes, MA	5'9	170	2000-S	Wing
#30	Michael Paa Del Mar, CA	5'11	155	2001-U	Goalie
#31	Theodore Novak Chicago, IL	6'0	160	2001-U	Goalie
#33	Benjamin J. Hall North Andover, MA	6'1	180	2000-S	Goalie

25 Gino Pistondi 8 6 3 26 Chris Yorty – 2 16.5 27 Mike Freeman 4 5 4.5

TEAM ROSTER AND INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

NO.	SKATERS	HOME PHONE	SHOTS ON GOAL	GOALS SCORED	ASSISTS	PEN. MIN.
2	Scott Darci			12	15	30
3	Mike Turner			2	12	15
5	Scott Ward			—	2	12
7	Matt Peltz			—	—	—
8	Eric Chase			—	—	3
9	Jon Sirex			14	8	19.5
10	Mike Murphy			1	2	4.5
11	Steve Medd			2	9	6
12	Brian Clark			—	—	—
14	Tim Daniels			—	—	—
15	Charlie Besor			2	3	4.5
16	Chris Weiner			—	—	1.5
17	Ian Gropp			—	—	—
18	Justin Blanch			6	5	9
19	Ryan Dempsey			—	1	6
23	Mark Ottaviani			1	—	6
24	Andy Salini			1	—	7.5

NO.	GOALIE	HOME PHONE	SAVES	GOALS ALLOWED	ASSISTS	PEN MIN.
31	Theo Novak		353		—	3
30	Mike Pao		10		—	—
33	Ben Hall		—		—	—

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SEASON SCHEDULE AND SEASON TOTALS

GAME NO.	DATE	GAME TIME AWAY	GAME TIME HOME	OPPONENT	WON (✓)	LOST (✓)	FINAL SCORE	SHOTS ON GOAL OPP	SHOTS ON GOAL US	PEN. MIN.
1	12-1-99	3:15	—	St. Paul's		✓	3-4			10.5
2	12-4-99	2:30	—	St. Mark's	✓		7-5			7.5
3	12-11-99	6:00	—	Harvard	✓		3-2	—	—	—
4	12-12-99	—	1:00	Tabor	✓		5-0	—	—	—
5	12-13-99	—	5:00	Milton	—	—	5-5	—	—	—
6	12-17-99	X	—	Deerfield		✓	2-4	—	—	—
7	12-18-99	X	—	Nobles		✓	2-4	—	—	—
8	12-19-99	X	—	Salisbury	✓		4-3	—	—	—
9	12-19-99	X	—	Westminster	—	—	1-1	—	—	—
10	1-8-00	—	2:00	Choate	✓		4-2			7.5
11	1-9-00	—	2:00	Alumni	✓					
12	1-12-00	—	4:30	Bridgton	✓		5-2			10.5
13	1-15-00	4:30	—	Exeter	✓		6-3			6
14	1-19-00	—	5:15	St. Sebastians		✓	1-4			10.5
15	1-22-00	2:00	—	Nobles		✓	0-5			7.5
16	1-24-00	—	5:00	Lawrence		✓	0-5			9
17	1-26-00	6:00	—	Middlesex	✓		5-2			7.5
18	1-29-00	4:00	—	Loomis-Chaffee	✓		4-2			19.5
19	2-2-00	—	4:15	Deerfield	✓		3-1			4.5
20	2-5-00	3:00	—	BB+N	✓		1-0			6
21	2-9-00	—	4:45	MUA	✓		5-0			7.5
22	2-11-00	5:00	—	Pingree	✓		3-2			10.5
23	2-13-00	2:00	—	Belmont Hill	✓		4-2			4.5
24	2-16-00	—	5:00	Cushing		✓	2-5			6
25	2-19-00	1:00	—	Tabor	—	—	—	—	—	—
26	2-23-00	3:45	—	NMH		✓	0-4			9
27	3-1-00	X	—	Exeter		✓	0-4			7.5
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30										
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Banner Week for Boys' Hockey as It Defeats Rivals Choate, Bridgton

by Tim Daniels
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	4
Choate	2

Andover	5
Bridgton	2

After a fair showing in the Flood-Marr Tournament over Christmas break, the Andover boys hockey team started off winter term with a home game against Choate Rosemary Hall last Saturday. The squad had something to prove after amassing a 4-3-2 record before January. Choate, ranked fifth in the league, provided good competition for Andover's first game of winter term as the Blue hoped to set the tone for a successful season with a win over its tough opponent.

Andover came out to the ice ready for a tough game. Mike Turner '00 struck first for the Blue in the second period with a goal just following an Andover power play. Scott Darci '01 held the puck by the side of the Choate goal and fed a cutting Turner who buried a shot in the far side of the goal. Andover appeared to let down following the first goal and Choate picked up its intensity, controlling the flow of the game until the Wild Boars finally scored later in the period. Game play remained tight throughout the second period with no team managing to score. Andover left the ice for the second intermission locked in a 1-1 tie.

Coming out for the third period, the Blue picked up its intensity, pressuring Choate until Darci corralled a loose puck off a Choate mishandle, and with the opponent's goaltender out of the goal, fired a turnaround backhand into the vacated net. The two teams held each other back for several minutes, but Choate eventually managed to notch another goal. Andover tried desperately to regain the lead but squandered many attempts. Finally, midway through the third period, Steve Mead '01 rushed up the ice and drove toward the net. His play was broken up, but he stayed in the offensive zone. Gino Rotondi '01 battled for the puck behind the net and found Mead in front of the goal. Mead snapped a shot at the Choate goalie and then buried his own rebound.

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Justin Blanch '00 gets a shot off on a lonely goalie in Wednesday's 5-2 drubbing of Bridgton

The Blue kept up the intensity after the go-ahead goal, and finally received some breathing room with an empty net goal by Darci. The game ended in a impressive 4-2 victory for Andover.

The Blue hoped to keep up its momentum for Wednesday's game against Bridgton. Although the more skilled of the two teams, Andover knew that it could not afford to take the opponent lightly.

Hoping to gain control of game play early, Andover played with intensity right from the beginning. Bridgton, however, fought back with a physical style of play. Andover got on the board first with a late first-period power play goal. Battling the Bridgton defense in front of the net, Darci tipped in a Turner shot from the point.

Andover carried the narrow lead into the second period. Only a few minutes in, however, Bridgeton tied the score on an in-zone scramble. The Blue increased its intensity in an effort to regain the lead and control of the game, but its composure was slightly offset by the opponents' chippy play. With only a few minutes remaining in the second, Darci came through again

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with a shorthanded breakaway goal. Picking up a Bridgton turnover, Mead lead Darci with a perfect pass up the ice, who then decked the Bridgton goalie and slid the puck in the five hole as Darci moved to his right.

Shortly after the start of the third period, Bridgton struck again, tying the score at 2. Andover, determined not to let the game slip away, turned up the pressure even more.

Andy Salini '02 knocked in a pass from Jon Sinex '00 a few minutes later to give the Blue a 3-2 lead.

Bridgton tried once again to regain the tied score but was unable to penetrate Andover's defensive unit. Andover added another goal later in the period off a two-on-on; Charlie Resor '00 fed Rotondi who redirected the puck past the Bridgton goalie. Darci later completed his hat trick with an empty-net insurance goal, allowing his squad to skate off with a 5-2 victory.

Andover's success in the past week is due largely to its defensive corps headed by Theo Novak '01. Coming off of a back injury that kept him out of the lineup for much of last year's season, Novak's play this season has been quite impressive. His team hopes to continue utilizing his goaltending ability in the upcoming games, specifically this Saturday's contest against Exeter.

Scott Darci '01

"[Scott's] our best goal scorer. Whenever we need someone to come through in the clutch, he scores." —Hockey captain Mike Turner '00

by Alan Ginsberg
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS ASSOCIATE

Having scored five of the boys' varsity hockey team's nine goals in its last two games, including a hat trick in Wednesday's 5-2 victory over a Bridgton Academy squad composed entirely of post-graduates, center Scott Darci '01 clearly deserves to be the first Athlete of the Week of both the winter term and the millennium.

Scott has lived all his life in Marblehead, Massachusetts, with his parents and older siblings Eric, Katelyn, and Kristen. It was with his father that Scott saw his first hockey game, a Salem State College contest when he was four years old. Darci liked what he saw at the game, and soon after participated in a Learn to Skate clinic, beginning his hockey career. Scott played in the Marblehead town hockey program until the age of eight, when he began playing for numerous club teams. On one of these teams, the Middlesex Islanders, for whom Darci competed as a fifth-, sixth-, seventh-, and eighth-grader, Scott was the leading scorer each year he was on the squad. During his seventh- and eighth-grade years, Scott also played for the Boston Icemen. In addition, Scott has often skated for the Massachusetts state team, this past summer playing with the under-17 squad until a separated shoulder forced him to the bench for the remainder of the summer.

When Darci began considering high school, he followed the lead of some of his club hockey teammates, who, were attending New England preparatory schools in search of better, more competitive hockey than could be found at their local public high schools. As a result, Scott applied to Tabor, St. Paul's, and Andover. Eventually, he chose Phillips for several reasons. The school's proximity to the Darci's Marblehead home pleased his parents, and Scott talked with fellow Marblehead residents Chris Kane '99 and Kyle Preman '00, who spoke highly of the school. In addition, Scott was impressed with Boys' Varsity Hockey Coach Christopher Gurry '66. Owing to the combination of these factors, Scott decided to enroll at Phillips.

As a freshman, Scott made the boys' varsity hockey team, centering the third line. Scoring nine goals and notching five assists, Scott helped the team to a .500 record.The following year, Scott made the jump to the second line, and his production increased dramatically. His twenty-two goals and twelve assists made him the team's high scorer. However, Darci's brilliance did not translate into team dominance, as the squad finished the season one game over .500.

This year, however, Scott's tremendous play has coincided with an impressive team performance, as the squad has compiled a 6-3-2 record two games before the season's halfway point. Darci has contributed greatly to the team's success, playing on the power play and penalty killing units while centering a first line composed of Justin Blanch '00, Jon Sinex '00, and Darci. Of his linemates, Scott says "they make everything on our line happen. Their hard work is responsible for the results we've been getting recently." However, Darci's own play has also contributed significantly to the team's success. In explaining why, teammate Brian Clark '00 observes, "watching him play, it's amazing how he always keeps his legs going. Even though he's not that big, he stays on his feet better than anyone." Through eleven games, Darci has ten goals, two of which came in Saturday's 4-2 victory over Choate, during which Scott also garnered an assist, on Andover's first goal, by captain Mike Turner '00. As impressive as this performance was, Darci followed it up with an even more inspiring performance on Wednesday against Bridgton Academy, when he scored more than half of the team's goals in its 5-2 triumph. As Clark observed, "[Darci's] goals raise the intensity for all of us. He really got the team going." Turner agrees: "He's our best goal scorer. Whenever we need someone to come through in the clutch, he scores." Scott and the entire team look to continue their recent winning streak in their game Saturday against Exeter, in which a victory would result in a New England ranking for the Big Blue.

Off the ice, Scott is also an accomplished soccer player. He took up the sport at age four, when he saw some kids playing it in the park next to his house, and began playing intramural soccer in Marblehead as a five year old. Darci continued to play intramural until sixth grade, when he began playing travel soccer for Marblehead, a practice he continued through his eighth grade year. He also played for club teams such as the Force and the S. U. N. S. (Soccer Union of the North Shore). During the winter, Scott played indoors with the Mass. Machine, taking fourth place at the national indoor tournament when Darci was in seventh grade.

As a freshman at Phillips Academy, Scott not only made the varsity, but had a spectacular season highlighted by an amazing bicycle kick goal against, ironically, Bridgton Academy. Starting at forward, Darci tied Mike Pierog '99 for high scorer honors in leading the team to an 8-2-5 record, the championship of the Dunbar Cup, an annual tournament between Andover, Deerfield, Exeter, and Northfield-Mount Hermon, and a berth in the quarterfinals of the post-season tournament.

His lower year, Scott again tied with co-captain Pierog for high scorer honors. In addition, the team, which compiled an undefeated 8-0-3 league mark during the regular season, again captured the Dunbar Cup and a place in the quarterfinals of the post-season tournament.

Having been elected a captain for his upper campaign, Darci took the responsibility seriously, scoring eight goals and, during one stretch, nearly single-handedly keeping the Blue's season alive. With Andover all but eliminated from post-season competition, the team faced Moses Brown in a must-win contest. Dominating the game but unable to score throughout the game's first sixty minutes, the Blue turned to Darci, who assisted on a goal and scored another after dribbling through four opposing players to lead Andover to a 2-0 victory. A week later, Phillips faced another must-win game, this time against New Hampton. Again, it was Darci who salvaged the season, scoring on a bicycle kick and a bending ball from the endline to the far upper corner after dribbling by three defenders to clinch a 2-0 victory. As a result of Scott's efforts, the team finished the season with a 7-4 league record and qualified for the post-season tournament, bowing out to Hotchkiss in the first round. Following the loss, Darci was re-elected captain for his senior season. Tri-captain Dapo Babatunde '00 described Darci's talent: "his aggressiveness and sheer athleticism make him a threat in any game he plays." However, perhaps forward James Ford '02 best summed up the feelings of the entire team, stating simply: "Scott's a very talented leader."

Only an upper, Scott is unsure about his college plans. He would like to play either hockey, at Boston College or Princeton, or soccer, possibly at Yale or Dartmouth. In addition, he is undecided about his major or career plans. Nonetheless, all the evidence seems to indicate that Scott will have success in whichever direction he chooses to go.

Boys' Hockey Defeats Rival Exeter; Disappoints in Loss To St. Sebastians

by Timothy Daniels
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	6
Exeter	3

St. Sebastians	4
Andover	1

After a convincing win over Bridgton Academy last Wednesday, Andover hoped to keep up its momentum in its game against Exeter the following Saturday. The game was important not only because of the intense rivalry between the two schools, but also for its effect on league ranking. With a win, Andover could advance into Exeter's number 10 spot in the standings. The Blue traveled up to Exeter ready for an intense game.

Both teams started out energetically, hoping to get ahead of the other early on in the game. Play remained relatively even until Gino Rotondi '01 struck first for the Blue at 11:09 in the first period. The goal came off a redirected shot from the point by Mike Turner '00 who was credited with the assist. Determined not to give up its lead, Andover kept up its intensity and worked toward increasing the scoring margin. With only 51 seconds left in the first period, Scott Darci '01 added another goal for his team.

Knowing that Exeter would come out flying for the second period, Andover concentrated its energy on playing its systems and keeping its opponent from gaining control of the game. Jon Sinex '00 provided some breathing room for the Blue with a one-handed tip-in goal off a beautiful pass from Darci at 3:26. The pivotal goal rallied Andover and acted as a back-breaker for the trailing opponent. Exeter, however, did fight back with 5:00 minutes left in the second period scoring a much-needed goal. The two teams skated off to the second intermission with a 3-1 score in favor of Andover.

The third period started with the same all-around intensity of the previous two. Exeter continually tested Andover's ability to play with a lead as Andover did whatever it could to keep up the narrow margin. Exeter was first to strike in the period with a goal at 13:12. Andover came right back, though, with a goal by Justin Blanch '00 just a minute later. Blanch buried Andover's fourth goal off a Sinex rebound. With just 5 minutes remaining in regulation time, Exeter's run at a possible comeback seemed to pay off as it notched another goal. However, Andover was determined not to give up its lead. Steve Mead '01 fought back for his team at 12:23 with a goal from the point with assists from Turner and Darci. Exeter pulled its goalie with over two minutes remaining in the game in an effort to create some offense. But Darci, following a near miss on an attempt at an empty net goal, managed to slide the puck into the vacated net on a simple clear off the boards in his defensive zone. The goal, with 1:01 remaining, provided the knockout blow. Andover skated off to a convincing 6-3 win over its biggest rival.

Wednesday's game against St. Sebastian's was quite a let-down from Saturday's game at Exeter. Unable to match Saturday's intensity Andover got off to a bad start as its opponent scored only minutes into the game. The Blue answered back quickly, though, when Rotondi received a long pass from Mead in the neutral zone. Rotondi was tied up by a St. Sebastian's defenseman on his way to the net, but he still managed to slip the puck past the goalie. The first period ended in a 1-1 tie.

Only five minutes into the second period, St. Sebastian managed to put another one up on the board. Andover was unable to come up with the equalizer. The Arrows scored their third goal with several minutes left in the second period. In the third period,

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A. Tucker/ *The Phillipian*

Forward Mike Murphy '00 escapes a defender's grasp in Wednesday's 1-4 loss to St. Sebastian's

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A. Tucker/ *The Phillipian*

Scott Darci '01 drives past a St. Sebastian's defender.

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Rotondi tried to end the bleeding as he picked up an excellent pass from Freeman and fired a well-placed shot towards the opponent's net. St. Sebastian's goalie, however, made a miraculous save on the scoring effort. The score remianed 3-1 until a St. Sebastian player put one in on a blue line slapshot with about 6 minutes remaining. The game ended in a 4-1 loss for the Blue.

Andover hopes to regain its composure this Saturday in an away game against Nobles.

Boys' Hockey Goes 1-2 on the Week vs. I.S.L.; Strong Middlesex Win Redeems Team After Losses

by Tim Daniels
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Nobles	5
Andover	0
Lawrence	5
Andover	0
Andover	5
Middlesex	2

After a disappointing loss to St. Sebastian's last Wednesday, the Andover boys' hockey team hoped to restart its winning streak with a win against Nobles on Saturday. The Blue knew what to expect, having played the opponent once before in the Flood-Marr Christmas Tournament held during Christmas break. Although that game ended in a loss, Andover took note of Nobles' strengths and weaknesses and adjusted its systems for Saturday's game.

Both teams started out with intensity. Nobles, however, was the first to get on the board. Andover tried to come back with a goal of its own, but was unable to capitalize on its chances. Nobles added another goal before the end of the period.

The Blue started the second period intent on coming back from the two-goal deficit and gaining the lead. The team's high level of play took control in portions of the middle period. However, Andover was still unable to finish its attempts for goals. Nobles put in another goal towards the end of the period.

Although frustrated by hard work with no reward, Andover was determined not to give up. It came out for the third period with the same high intensity, but was equally plagued with an inability to score. Nobles added two more goals before the game ended, skating off with a 5-0 win over Andover.

The score of the game against Nobles was not indicative of the game play. Andover did not play poorly, but was simply unable to utilze its opportunities. By the end of the game, the team had missed two open-net bids and countless other close chances.

The Blue hoped to recapture its composure on Monday as it faced off against Lawrence Academy. Although the opponent was one of the league's strongest contenders, Andover knew that with a strong showing, it could emerge victorious.

Lawrence, though, was the first to strike. The goal came fairly early in the first period. Andover picked up its pace, but was still held back by its scoring problem. The two teams battled fairly equally, but Lawrence put in another goal before the end of the first period.

The Blue came out for the second period determined to break the scoring drought. The game pace picked up as Andover worked hard for its first break while Lawrence held its opponent off and tried to create some offense of its own. Although the second period was played fairly equally by both teams, Lawrence tallied one goal while Andover remained scoreless.

The third period proved to be similar to the second; play remained equal but Andover was unable to take advantage of its opportunities. Lawrence scored two more goals and ended the game with a 5-0 victory.

Having given up 14 goals in its last 3 games and scoring only 1, Andover was ready to end the drought with a win over Middlesex on Wednesday. The opponent, a weaker competitor on Andover's schedule, gave the Blue a good chance to bounce back from its depressing losing streak. Andover focused on getting ahead early and finishing its scoring bids.

Andover arrived at the game ready to play, but sloppiness in the first few minutes of regulation time allowed Middlesex many opportunities. But Theo Novak '01 came up with some superb saves to keep the score notched at zero and give his team a chance to settle down. Within a few minutes, the Blue gained its composure and began to take control of the game. Scott Darci '01 ended his team's scoring drought about halfway through the first period. The goal came off of a shot from the point from Scott Ward '01, which Darci controlled off the rebound and stuffed it in the net. Middlesex came back, though, to tie the score later in the first period.

Andover remained in control of the game during the second period, aside from some careless play in its defensive zone. Justin Blanch '00 broke the tie with a break in deak to his backhand. The goal came off a pass from Mike Freeman '00, who was credited with the assist. Determined not to let its lead slip away, Andover kept up its

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1/26/00

REDISCOVERS OFFENSE

"Superb Goaltending" by Goalie Novak Ensures Win

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intensity. Jon Sinex '00 added two more goals before the end of the second period, giving Andover a 4-2 lead.

The game's high intensity kept up in the third period, but both teams had trouble capitalizing on their chances to score. Andover held its two-goal lead until the final minutes of the game, when Middlesex pulled its goalie and Gino Rotondi '01 seized onto an empty-net bid. The game ended in a needed 5-2 win for the Blue.

Andover hopes to build on its win over Middlesex when it faces Loomis Chaffee Saturday.

A. Tucker/ *The*

Captain Mike Turner '00 controls the puck during Monday's loss

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Senior forward Charlie Resor races past a Lawrence Academy defender during one of Andover's w chances. After playing two close periods, Lawrence broke the third wide open by scoring 4 goals.

A. Tucker/ *The Phillipian*

PG Mike Freeman faces off against a Lawrence Academy foe in last Monday's 5-0 loss.

Goalie Novak '01 Leads Boys' Hockey

by Tim Daniels and Courtney Gimbel
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITERS

Andover	**4**
Loomis	**1**

Andover	**3**
Deerfield	**1**

Following a solid victory over Middlesex, the Andover boys' varsity hockey team tried to expand on its current winning streak as it faced off against Loomis Chaffee on Saturday. The Blue hoped that a strong showing at Loomis would carry over to next week's game against Deerfield. Confident that it was the more skilled of the two teams, Andover concentrated on consistency in the defensive and neutral zones as well as intensity from start to finish, and emerged with a 4-1 victory.

The Big Blue started off strong and took control of the game play right from the beginning. By focusing on the opponent's weaknesses, the Blue was able to create several strong offensive threats. As in the past few games, however, Andover had trouble capitalizing on its chances. A few breakdowns in the defensive zone gave Loomis a few chances to take the lead, but Andover's defensive corps, led by goaltender Theo Novak '01, kept its opponent at bay.

Justin Blanch '00 started off the game's scoring spree and was followed by linemate John Sinex '00, who notched a hat trick.

The flow of the game against Loomis was greatly interrupted by questionable officiating. The referees managed to consistently call both teams on infractions that no one else saw. They also missed several blatant rule violations. Chippy, foul play by the Loomis skaters added to the slowdown in game pace. Their constant slashing and hooking of Andover players led to several minor to moderate injuries, including a slash to Steve Mead's '01 hand that forced the starting defenseman out of the game.

Wednesday's game against Deerfield was very significant for Andover, as it provided a chance to continue the current winning streak while knocking off a strong league rival. The two teams previously faced off in December's Flood-Marr Christmas Tournament. Deerfield, which eventually went on to win first place in the tournament, had defeated Andover in one of the prior tournament games by a score of 4-2 (which included an empty net goal at the end). Andover hoped to seek revenge for this near loss against the strong competitor, which is presently ranked number two in the league.

Scott Darci '01 kicked off the game with Andover's first goal. Darci had the only goal for the first period, but scoring picked up as the game went on. As a whole, Andover's defense also played extremely well and stifled many a Deerfield scoring opportunity.

The energy during the second period went through the roof. Both Andover and Deerfield aggressively attacked the net. The majority of the game incorporated plenty of hard work for each of the goalies. Above all else, Novak played an outstanding game for the Big Blue, managing to keep the score of the second period at 1-0.

With three minutes remaining in the third period, post-graduate Mike Freeman put Andover's second goal in the net. Accompanying Freeman with the two-on-one play was Sinex, who assisted on the goal. Deerfield made a desperate attempt to score with a little under a minute to go by pulling its goalie. Wasting no time at all, Darci scored his second goal of the game with a slap shot directly into the open net. 11 seconds later, however, Deerfield answered back with its first and only goal of the game.

Andover easily held on for the remaining seconds of the time, earning its second victory of the week.

"Our win against Deerfield was a great accomplishment, and will provide the team with much confidence as we enter the second half of our season," commented Meade.

A good deal of the credit for the win over Deerfield belongs to Andover's defensive unit. Strong play in the defensive zone gave the Blue the breathing room it needed to add to the 1-0 lead that was present for the majority of the game. Andover squandered every attempt by Deerfield to get its offense working until the game was practically over. Novak, who unveiled several diving and sprawling saves, led his defensive unit in the near-shutout attempt. Andover hopes to add to its winning streak on Saturday as it travels to BB&N. A successful second half of the season could give the Blue a berth in the post-season tournament.

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A. Tucker/ *The Phillipian*

Boys' Hockey Captain Mike Turner '00, surrounded by teammates, celebrates one of the squad's five goals against Kimball Union

Boys' Hockey Extends Win Streak with Straight Shutouts

by Tim Daniels
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	1
BB&N	0

Andover	5
KUA	0

Following three impressive wins over Middlesex, Loomis-Chaffee and Deerfield, the Blue hoped to add another tally to its current winning streak as it traveled down to BB&N last Saturday. Focused on achieving a possible post-season birth, Andover arrived ready to play. Confident with an edge in experience and skill, the Andover players focused on jumping out to an early lead and avoiding mistakes in the defensive zone.

Andover took control from the first drop of the puck. The majority of the play in the first period took place in the BB&N zone. But despite several solid attempts, Andover was unable to bury its chances. The BB&N goaltender smothered every opportunity for Andover with several spectacular saves.

The second period was much the same as the first. Andover was in control of the game, but couldn't capitalize on its chances. The opponent's goalie was, once again, the main factor that kept the score tied at 0.

Andover came out for the third period intent on ending the scoring drought. Thanks to a few penalties taken by BB&N, the Blue was able to put its power play to use.

The man-up situations allowed Andover to create many scoring chances, but BB&N's goaltender was able to keep all shots from slipping by him. Penalties on Andover's part gave BB&N chances to create some offense of its own, but the Blue's defensive

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unit held strong against the attempts. When regulation time ended, the score was still 0-0.

In the overtime period, Andover spent a good deal of time on the power play. But, even when BB&N went down two men, Andover could not capitalize on its chances.

Frustrated by hard work and lack of results, Andover realized it might have to settle for a tie. But finally, with only four seconds remaining in the sudden-death period, Mike Turner '00 corralled a rebound in front of the net and managed to put it in. Andover left BB&N with a slim 1-0 victory, despite its noticeable domination of the game play.

The game proved to Andover how important making use of scoring chances is. Over three periods of play left Andover with four hit posts and numerous other nearly missed opportunities. Having outshot the opponent 41 to 7, Andover was unhappy with such a small scoring margin.

The Blue hoped to further add to its winning streak on Wednesday when it faced KUA. Andover was ready for a tough game, knowing that the opponent had put up a good showing in this season's Christmas tournament.

Like in the game against BB&N, Andover was able to take control early. Just a few minutes into the game, Charlie Resor '00 put his team on the board. The goal came of a defensive cough-up by KUA, which was created by the forechecking of Andrew Salini '02. Gino Rotondi '01 capitalized on a breakaway a few minutes later. In the waning minutes of the period, Mike Freeman '00 knocked in a rebound to give his team a 3-0 lead going into the second.

In the second, the Blue kept up its control over the opponent but seemed to lose is scoring touch.

Andover created several offensive chances, but couldn't manage to finish the attempts. To compensate, the defense did whatever it could to keep the puck out of its own end, allowing KUA only a small number of chances to score. Goaltender Theo Novak '01 came up with some stellar saves on the few shots he faced.

In the third period, Andover put the game out of reach. Scott Darci '01 scored on the power play off of a nice pass from Turner, who was credited with the assist. Ffeeman added another later on in the period. Andover's defense held off all of KUA's last-minute attempts, securing 5-0 shutout victory.

Andover hopes to further improve its record in the upcoming games against Pingree, Belmont Hill, and Cushing. Having played quite well in its last three games, the team feels confident in its ability.

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Boys' Hockey Blanks BB&N and Kimball Union

A. Tucker/ *The Phillipian*

Goalie Theo Novak '01 stacks his pads to make a save in Wednesday's shutout victory over KUA

Boys' Hockey Eeks Out OT Win Over Pingree; Seven-Game Win Streak Busted By Cushing

by Tim Daniels and Ian Cropp
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITERS

Andover (OT)	3
Pingree	2

Andover	4
Belmont Hill	2

Cushing	5
Andover	2

Last Friday, the Andover boys' hockey team traveled to the Pingree School in Hamilton, MA. Although one of the weaker opponents on Andover's schedule, Pingree had the added incentive of knocking off a strong Division-I contender. The game was an important stepping stone for the Blue as it offered a chance to further increase the current winning streak and allow Andover to enter strongly into the home stretch of games. The team hoped to use its speed as an advantage against the less-skilled opponent.

The game started off slowly. Used to its own rink with faster ice, Andover's speed could not be utilized to its full potential. Play was equally split between both ends of the ice; neither team was able to take control and dominate completly. Although both Andover and Pingree had several scoring chances, the score was 0-0 at the end of the first period.

Frustrated by sloppy play against a noticably weaker team, Andover was determined to elevate its game play and take control in the second period. Gino Rotondi '01 got things started for his team as he knocked in a centering pass from Jon Sinex '00. However, Pingree kept up its intense play. An inability to finish chances and defensive mistakes on Andover's part gave Pingree the opportunity to come back from the deficit. Before the second period ended, Pingree had created a 2-1 lead.

Unwilling to let its winning streak end, the Blue turned up its vigor for the third period. Knowing that it needed to tie the score as soon as possible, Andover peppered the Pingree goalie with many strong shots. Finally, Justin Blanch '00 evaded the keeper with a screened shot from the high slot. Both teams held on until the final buzzer, sending the game into sudden-death overtime.

Intent on scoring one more goal to end the game, Andover's players continued to test the opponent's goaltender with shots. With only a few minutes remaining, Blanch skated over the blue line and ripped a slap shot, using the defenseman as a screen. Pingree's goalie was unable to react quickly enough, and the shot slipped in the low corner of the net, ending the game and securing the 3-2 win for Andover.

The Blue hoped to improve on the Pingree game as it traveled to Belmont Hill the following Saturday. Andover knew it would have to put up a much better showing to defeat the opponent. Belmont Hill, which fared well against the Blue in past games, presented a tough challenge for Andover to overcome.

Determined not to fall behind early on, Andover focused on strong defense and taking advantage of its opportunities. Sinex struck first for his team with a goal on the power play a few minutes after the start of the game. Andover closed out the first period with a 1-0 lead.

Although happy to be ahead, the Blue knew it had to keep playing solidly to retain its lead. Mike Murphy '00 gave his team some breathing room midway through the second as he banged a shot past the Belmont Hill goalie. Knowing that the next goal was imperative, Andover kept up its intensity and looked to set up scoring chances. However, Belmont Hill came back with a goal before the period ended.

In the third, game play remained tight. Adamant against letting its lead slip into a tie, Andover attempted to create more offensive chances. Scott Darci '01 added a third goal approximately halfway through the period. The goal came off of a pass to Darci in front of the Belmont Hill net, who buried a backhand shot. Belmont Hill bounced back with another goal a few minutes later, but Sinex put the game out of reach as he capitalized on the opponent's decision to pull its goalie. The game ended in a needed 4-2 victory for Andover.

Wednesday the Blue faced one of its toughest opponents all year, Cushing Academy. Unfortunately, the Penguins of Cushing were able to snap the Blue's 7 game winning streak. The game started out with a strong effort by Andover, who jumped on Cushing right away. Less than five minutes into the game, Jon Sinex banged in a rebound for a power play tally. For the duration of the period the Blue held Cushing to few offensive chances with strong neutral zone play. A defenseive zone lapse allowed Cushing to tie the score, and the teams went into the lockeroom tied at 1.

Andover started the second period knowing it would need to play a mistake-free period if they hoped to come

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A. Tucker/ *The Phillipian*

Scott Darci '01 tries to shake two Cushing defenders in an offensive rush during Wednesday's 5-2 loss.

SPORT: HOCKEY - GIRLS

YEAR: 1999 - 2000

CAPTAIN: Katherine Otway
HOME ADDRESS:

MANAGER:
HOME ADDRESS:

COACH: Martha Fenton
ASSISTANT COACHES:

SEASON RECORD

WON 5 LOST 7 TIED 2

LETTER WINNERS

Barensfeld, Anna
Bowen, Abigail
Breen, Katheryn
Davis, Heather
Grote, Emily
Holten, Brit
Hudson, Meredith
Judge, Jessica
Krause, Caitlin
Lui, Bonnie
Marshall, Lori
Mattison, Alice
Orzell, Susannah
Otway, Katherine
Richardson, Susannah
Turco, Molly

GIRL'S HOCKEY

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Wed. Dec. 1, 1999	(H)	B.B.&N	3	4
Sat. Dec. 4, 1999	(H)	St. Mark's	4	4
Sat. Dec. 12, 1999	(H)	Boston Ice Women	not reported	
Fri. Dec. 16, 1999	*A)	Taft	not reported	
Sat. Jan. 8, 2000	(H)	Choate	0	3
Sun. Jan. 9, 2000	(H)	Alumni	not reported	
Wed. Jan. 12, 2000	(A)	New Hampton	4	7
Sat. Jan. 15, 2000	(H)	St. Paul's	not reported	
Wed. Jan/ 19, 2000	(H)	Lawrence Academy	2	1
Sat. Jan. 22, 2000	(H)	Groton	3	0
Wed. Jan. 26, 2000	(A)	Cushing	0	5
Sat. Jan. 29, 2000	(H)	Deerfield	4	2
Wed. Feb. 2, 2000	(A)	Exeter	3	3
Sat. Feb 5, 2000	(A)	KUA	4	6
Wed. Feb. 9, 2000	(H)	Tabor	6	5
Fri. Feb. 11, 2000	(H)	N.M.H.	6	2
Wed. Feb. 16, 2000	(A)	Noble & Greenough	5	11
Wed. Feb. 23, 2000	(A)	Holderness	1	2
Sat. Feb. 26, 2000	(H)	Exeter	canceled	

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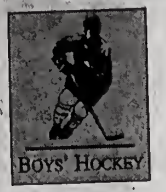
Girls' Hockey Suffers Tough Setbacks Against Choate, New Hampton; Players Remain Positive

by Austin Arensberg
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Choate	3
Andover	0

New Hampton	7
Andover	4



After a hard-fought 3-0 loss to Choate last Saturday, the girls' hockey team was looking for redemption. Redemption comes in many ways, and this Wednesday it took the form of entire senior line scoring three consecutive goals in roughly five minutes in the second period of a tough 7-4 loss to New Hampton.

Although the girls lost their first two games of winter term the players had much to say regarding their improved performance,

As Post Graduate Lori Marshall said of the Choate game, "Considering we just got back from Winter Break we played exceedingly well", she later added,"The scoreboard doesn't always show how well we play."

And she was right. Andover played against a tough squad of Choate players led by the same players who gave Andover its worst defeat in history two years ago in a 14-1 blowout. Choate this year is ranked number one and is looking to retain its championship from last year. Andover captain-goalie Katherine Otway '00 performed well in goal as her team was able to defend against Choate's unending offense in the first and second periods. Although Andover got off to its almost routine sluggish start in the first period of the game the girls were able to fight off their logistical problems and play with a greater intensity.

As Marshall said after the game about the occurrence of yet another slow start from the team,"First periods for us have not been the best lately".

As the Choate game slipped into the third period with not a single Andover goal, the team got considerably discouraged, but was able to maintain enough shots on goal to keep Choate's defense busy. But alas Andover's offense could not capitalize and the team faced its first defeat in front of a large crowd at the Sumner Smith Rink.

Unfortunately, many of the problems that were present in the Choate game resurfaced in Wednesday's game against New Hampton.

After a reasonably short bus ride Wednesday night to New Hampshire for the game, many of the players seemed exceedingly sluggish and the intensity the team prides itself on during later periods was obviously not there. According to some of the girls, many of the players used the ride up to catch up on sleep and relax before the game. Although tiredness is no excuse for poor play it surely seemed a factor in the first period as the team quickly fell behind 4-0. Worse yet, the team lost both its emotional and team leader in Ottway's injury late in the first period. Her teammates acknowledging her weakness midway through the period tried in vain to pump up the defense but as the minutes ticked down it was evident that something was wrong. Head Coach Martha Fenton recognizing the situation took the injured Ottway out of the game and substituted new back-up goalie Emi Something'01. The entire team was astonished at Otway's ability to keep playing throughout the game.

Going into the locker room the team became increasingly discouraged, first, from the number of goal they let in and second, from the new loss of its goalie. Noticing a need for intensity, Coach Fenton expressed the few factors of play the team needed to focus on during the second period. And so after only a short pause the team went out to face the physical New Hampton team with a greater determination.

As seems to be routine, the Andover squad was able to quickly regain its luster coming out of the first period slump. With newcomer- Something playing strong in goal, Fenton made the decision to switch up the lines and put Ali Matison'02 in the forward position, and Molly Turco'00 back to the defense. With the line changes came a regained chemistry in the first line which playedtogether for all of last year. The girls, ready to test out their abilities, scored an incredible three goals in nearly five minutes in the middle of the second period. The team fed off the energy finally brought to the game by the all-senior line and played emaculate defense and was headed by dominating play in the goal by Something. What seemed like a sure loss was rapidly turning towards the better as the team went in to the locker room before the third period. Inside much had changed from the melancholy gloom of the last intermission. Finally the tenacity and energy that boded well for the team was in place and the girls became increasingly pumped up by the start of the third period.

The girls' main goal in the third period was to neutralize New Hampton's captain, by far the team's best player, who was weaving in and out of Andover's defense. Although this proved to be easier said than done, Andover continued to have strong defense in goal from Something, who will surely see more playing time in the future.Even though Andover suffered the crushing loss, it was the comeback that many on the team take for the true success.

After a dismal Taft Tournament this past break described as a "disaster" the team is finally pulling together. With a little extra help in practice on power plays and getting the puck out of its own zone, the team should be back in winning form for Saturday's game against St. Paul's.

Banner Week for Girls' Hockey; Team Defeats St. Paul's; Beats Lawrence for First Time Ever

by Patrick Linneman
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	**4**
St. Paul's	**2**

Andover	**2**
Lawrence	**1**

GIRLS HOCKEY

Andover girls' hockey looked to notch its second win of the season against St. Pauls at home on Saturday. Going into the game in fifth place in the league, St. Pauls boasted a decent season record. Andover prepared itself all week in practice to breakdown the speed and strength of the St. Paul's team.

Due to Captain and starting goaltender Katherine Otway's '00 back injury, Emmy Grote '02 got the start in the net. She handled the offensive pressure from St. Paul's and took control on the defensive end. In the first period, she allowed only one goal with 1:08 remaining in the period. Unfortunately, while Andover outshot its opponent 19 to eight, the girls were not able to get the puck past the strong St. Paul's goaltender.

Andover came out a different team in the second period, and dominated most of the play. Katie Breen '00 put Andover on the board first just minutes before adding her second goal of the game to give the Big Blue the lead it needed. Bonnie Lui '00 scored a backhander over the sprawling goalie to give Andover a commanding 3-1 lead going into intermission.

Late in the third period, St. Paul's scored a goal from the blue line and brought the game back to within a goal. Andover's tough defensive pairings of Ali Mattison '02 and Susannah Richardson '00 were determined to hold the lead as the remaining minutes ticked away. Molly Turco '00 added an insurance goal with 1:26 remaining in the game. Her goal sealed the 4-2 victory and gave Andover its first home win of the season.

Andover squared off on Wednesday against perennial powerhouse Lawrence Academy. Andover tried to regain the momentum it had after its win on Saturday, and came out skating hard in the first period. The hard work paid off, and Cailtin Krause '01 netted the first goal of the game off a rebound from Abby Bowen '01.

Otway was back off the injured list, and was tested many times by the Lawrence offense. Lawrence was unable to get on the scoreboard, and Andover went into the first intermission ahead by one goal.

In the second period, Lawrence Academy was able to score a goal to tie up the game on a shot from the top of the circle.

Otway was screened during the play, and did all she could to stop the puck before it went into the back of the net. Tough defense and backchecking, however, prevented Lawrence from scoring any more goals in the game. Looking for the winning goal, Lui found a loose puck in front of Lawrence's net and slid the puck past the goalie's outstretched glove hand.

The third period proved to be the most crucial as both teams were looking to add more goals to their tallies. Andover wanted to secure the lead that Lawrence was looking to erase. Outstanding saves by Otway and tough play from Anna Barensfeld '02 elevated Andover's level of play, and gave the Big Blue its third win of the season. This is the first time in Andover hockey history that Andover has come out on top against Lawrence Academy.

This, in fact, is a season of firsts for Andover. The first team of the new millenium, the first team to wear the new uniforms, and the first Andover team to beat Lawrence Academy. The girls are looking to crush Groton this Saturday at home as they pave the way towards the tournament in late February.

If Andover maintains the level of hockey from this past week, it is going to be unstoppable.

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GIRLS' HOCKEY ENDS STREAK WITH 0-5 LOSS

by Merri Hudson
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	6
Groton	0
Cushing	5
Andover	0

GIRLS HOCKEY

The girls' ice hockey team continued its two game win streak this past Saturday against the Groton School. In a 6-0 dismantling of its opponent, Andover proved what a difference one year can make. Katherine Otway '00 allowed no goals, while Katie Breen '00 and Bonnie Lui '00 each had 2 goals and 2 assists.

"The best thing about the game was we looked to everyone to contribute," commented defenseman Susannah Richardson '00.

The first period, which has been troublesome for the Blue in its recent games, was dominated by the impressive Andover offense. Unable to break it out of its defensive end, Groton skated in desperate circles while forwards Breen '00, Jess Judge '00 and Lui '00 maintained possession of the puck for minutes on end, testing the Groton goaltender with many shots. It wasn't long before Andover found the serious scoring chances it needed. Caitlin Krause '01 scored an unassisted backhand goal off a face-off to put the Blue up 1-0. The scoring was far from over. Lui stretched Andover's lead to two when she scored from a beautiful passing sequence from Judge and Molly Turco '00. Breen scored her first goal shortly afterward, and sent the Blue

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into the first intermission with the confidence it has been searching for all season.

The second period, despite the fact that there were no goals scored by either team, was a crucial period. Andover's defensive units proved to be impenetrable, backboned by Otway and defensive pairing Richardson and Ali Mattison '02. The defense was unwavering in its own zone, breaking the puck out to the well-positioned wings nearly perfectly every time.

Andover broke loose again in the third period, scoring three more goals to bury the defeated Groton team. Lui got her second goal of the game off an assist from Breen early in the period. Sparked once again by an early goal, Andover offense came alive. Turco skated in from the right corner and squeezed the puck past the poorly positioned Groton goaltender. With the score 5-0, Andover thought things couldn't get any better; this was its biggest lead in a game so far this season. Breen made it six goals, by scoring her second of the game over the goalie's shoulder with five minutes left before the final buzzer.

Otway, who faced 18 shots throughout the game, recorded her first shutout of the season. This win was a perfect way to lead Andover into its game vs. Cushing on Wednesday.

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Cushing

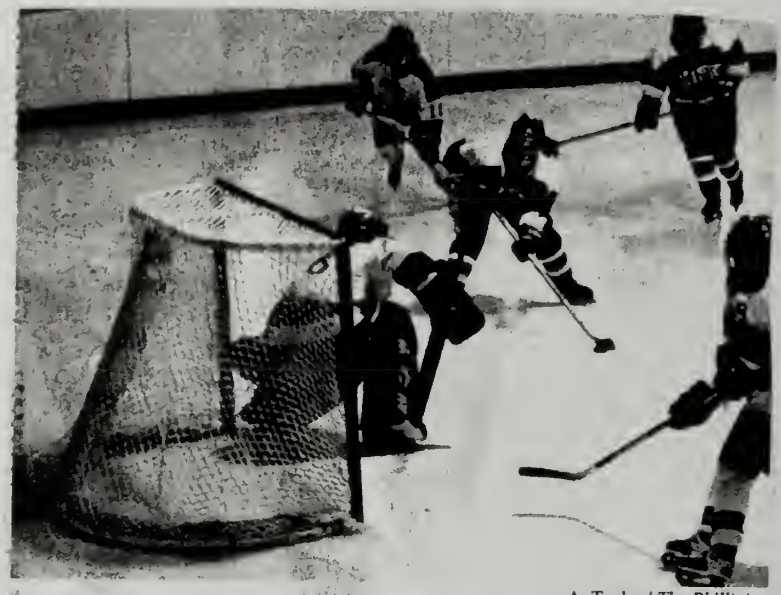
After a long bus ride to Ashburnham, MA, the girls' team was greeted by a sea of purple. Setting out to prove to the league that Cushing could be defeated, Andover started the game with confidence and aggressiveness.

In the first period, the Big Blue skated stride for stride with the skilled Cushing team, allowing the Penguins to get only one goal past starting goalie Otway . The Andover offense, which had been so productive in past games, has many opportunities, but was unable to score on the strong Cushing defense. Turco had a chance to score late in the first period off a rebound, but couldn't flip the puck over the fallen goalie. Going into the first intermission, Andover's confidence was shaken a bit by the size and strength of the Cushing team.

Throughout the rest of the game, Cushing was able to control most of play, while Andover showed only glimpses of fine play.

Defenders Richardson and Lori Marshall '00 played a tight game on the shifty Cushing forwards. However, the Cushing defense played to the best of its ability, holding the Big Blue scoreless in three periods. In the end Cushing's overall talent was too much for Andover, with the Penguins winning 5-0.

Andover was able to see both sides of the scoreboard this week, going 1-1. They look forward to and are preparing for a tough game against Deerfield Academy this Saturday at home.



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The girls hockey team had an up and down week defeating Groton on Saturday but losing to Cushing on Wednesday.

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The girls, pictured here against Groton, blew out their opponent by a score of 6-0.

Girls' Ice Hockey Defeats Deerfield; Comes From Behind To Tie Exeter

by Merri Hudson
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	4
Deerfield	2

Andover	3
Exeter	3

The girls' varsity ice hockey team made history last Saturday against Deerfield Academy. The 4-2 win was the first time Andover has ever beaten The Big Green in regular season play. The game started off with Andover in dismay as Deerfield quickly took a 1-0 lead early in the first period. Andover had many opportunities to score and tested the Deerfield goalie with many hard shots that unfortunately didn't find the back of the net. The Big Blue went into the first intermission disappointed by its performance. The girls were determined to play a more aggressive and offensive second period.

Each team played the second period differently. Andover was looking for the tying goal, while Deerfield pressured Blue defenders, trying to stretch its lead. Defender Merri Hudson '01 broke the puck out of the defensive end and worked it deep behind the Deerfield goalie. Hudson passed to Caitlin Krause '01 who saw Lori Marshall '00 wide open on the point. Marshall wasted no time in sending an impressive slapshot over the goalie's right shoulder. Andover's strength and spirit were recharged by the blast from Marshall. Neither team would score another goal during the second period because of the strong defensive units on both teams. Goalie Katherine Otway '00 played tremendously in net once again for Andover with help from Ali Mattison '02 and Susannah Richardson '00.

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Molly Turco '00 evades two defenders on the way to a 4-2 win over Deerfield. This win puts the team closer to a tournament berth.

With the game tied going into the third period, it seemed like either team's game. Andover was showing no signs of fatigue though it was clearly outnumbered by the full Deerfield bench. Both teams were determined to end the game on top, but unfortunately for Deerfield, there could only be one winner. Early in the period, Hudson tried to keep the puck in the offensive zone but was knocked out of the play, sending Deerfield on a 2 on 1 towards Otway. Marshall played the 2 on 1 perfectly up until the last second when the Green forward was able to find her open winger for a clear shot that beat Otway. Though down, but certainly not out, Andover knew that it had to score soon before time ran out. Molly Turco '00 and Krause took control of the Deerfield defensive zone, and executed a perfect give-and-go play which Turco finished by sliding the puck past the sprawling goalie. Andover's second comeback of the game was its last. Jess Judge '00 scored the go-ahead goal from Bonnie Lui '00 off a pass from behind the Deerfield net. With victory in mind, Andover called a time out to discuss defensive strategy. During this time out, the Deerfield coach opted to pull his goalie in order to place another skater on the ice. Right from the face-off, the Blue took control. Hudson saw Judge open near half ice and fed her a pass. Judge, aware of the open net, sent a hard shot along the ice in the direction of the goal. The

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A Banner Week for Girls' Hockey as Team Goes Undefeated, Beating Deerfield and Tying Exeter

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rink erupted in cheers as Judge secured the win for Andover.

"The passing throughout the whole game was incredible. I know it was definitely our most collective win of the season," commented Marshall. Otway played another consistent game in net, holding the strong Deerfield team to only two goals. This come-from-behind win placed Andover in a perfect position to face a 13-2 Exeter team on Wednesday.

Both teams were looking for the first goal in order to set the pace on the ice. Andover, frantic and confused in the defensive end, was having trouble breaking the puck out. Exeter was able to capitalize on Andover's lack of organization and slip a quick shot past Otway. The score remained 1-0 Exeter until late in the first period. Lui took a hard shot on the Exeter goaltender, and all the Andover forwards crashed towards the net. Katie Breen '00 was able to gather the loose puck and slide it around the outstretched glove of the Exeter goalie. With minutes remaining in the period, Exeter was able to score one more goal before time ran out. Otway played outstanding in net, saving 13 out of 15 shots.

With Exeter in the lead going into the second period, Andover knew that it needed to score this period. Fortunately, Breen tied the game with an amazing shot over the goalie's shoulder and into the top of the net. Breen's goal sparked the team, and led to an onslaught of shots by the persistent Andover forwards. Though the agile Exeter goalie allowed none past, she was clearly becoming more and more tired with each shot. In the closing minutes of the period, however, Exeter again took the lead right before an intermission. Andover was bewildered by Exeter's consistent drives right before the final buzzer. Once again, Andover was going to have to play catch-up.

The third period was by far Andover's best period. Winger Krause and defender Ali Mattison '02 played solidly in Andover's defensive end.

"Ali played with tremendous heart and determination. It would have been an entirely different game without her," said Susannah Richardson.

With four minutes remaining in the game, Lui controlled the puck at center ice and was determined to score. She eluded two defenders before placing a perfectly positioned back-handed shot past the Exeter goalie. The third period ended with the score tied 3-3.

Though an overtime period was played, neither team was able to benefit from the extra five minutes. The game ended in a tie, and left both teams very frustrated. Andover, having given its best effort from the first minute, felt the outcome should have been different. The girls look forward to playing at K.U.A this Saturday.

Katie Breen '00

"This season Katie has shown us her unparalled tenacity." —Jessica Judge '00

by Merri Hudson
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

After scoring two goals to lead the girls' varsity hockey team to a 3-3 tie against Exeter on Wednesday and producing the most number of goals on the team so far this season, Katie Breen '00 is the Athlete of the Week.

Katie started her career on skates when she was five years old, after watching her brother learn to skate. She asked her father to trade in her figure skates for hockey skates, and soon she was playing on her first organized team. She started playing for Methuen Youth Ice Hockey where she was the only girl on a team full of boys. Her family moved to North Andover when Katie was in the second grade. She was the first girl ever to play in North Andover Youth Hockey and caused quite a stir. For the most part, however, she was accepted by the other teammates.

In sixth grade, Katie decided that she wanted to play for an all-girls team while continuing to play with the boys from North Andover. Her parents signed her up to play for the Chelmsford Lions, an elite girls program in Massachusetts. Katie has seen much success with this program, including a trip to Anaheim, California, in the winter of '98. Her Peewee team qualified for the US National Women's Ice Hockey Tournament, and subsequently swept the competition on its way to the championship.

Katie spent her freshman year in high school at North Andover High, where she was the only girl on the varsity team. After a successful season, Katie decided that she wanted to continue her play on an all-girls varsity team. Andover was among her top choices of schools to which she could potentially transfer. Katie was admitted as a new lower and made the varsity field hockey team her first season at Andover. Though unable to play in most of the season due to injury, Breen had established herself as a top woman athlete.

Katie was in great shape when hockey season came around, and made the varsity team as a right wing. In only her first season on the team, she was the leading goal-scorer. Katie was a solid, consistent player from her first day on the team and has only continued to improve.

In her upper season, Katie once again proved to be one of the team's leading scorers. Her ability to read plays, and cycle low behind the net has made her a backbone of Andover's offensive unit for the past three years.

To get to the point where Katie's skill is today requires lots of off-season training. Over the past two summers, she has worked for Paul Vincent's Dynamic Skating, both as a counselor and as an instructor for Learn-To-Skate. Each season Katie comes back in better shape and with even more to contribute to the team.

During the warmer months of the year, Katie is equally accomplished in other athletic arenas. In the fall, she plays field hockey, and has been a member of the varsity squad since she came to Andover in her lower year. In her first season, she was injured at the beginning, and fondly recalls how friendly and welcoming the entire team was to her; this was the first of one of Katie's many positive athletics experiences at Andover. For the past two years she has started at forward, and this season she was one of the team's leading scorers.

"[Katie] is just such a workhorse," comments teammate Kate Macmillan '00, "whenever it seemed like the ball was about to go out of bounds or no one could control it, Katie was there to push it past a defender or knock it in the goal."

In the spring, Katie plays softball, where she has also been a member of the PA varsity for three years. Katie finds softball to be a great deal more laid-back than either field hockey or ice hockey, and welcomes the period of relaxation and fun that the spring brings.

"Softball's definitely less...intense than my other sports," she laughs, "but it's always been a lot of fun and the team [1999 New England Champions] has always done really well."

So far in her senior season, Katie has already proven herself as an offensive threat on the wing. She is currently the leading scorer after netting two crucial goals against Exeter on Wednesday. Still more important than her actual statistics are Katie's sheer athleticism and overall selflessness. Her devotion to her three varsity teams, field hockey, ice hockey, & softball, is unparalleled.

Katie is hoping to continue playing ice hockey in college. Her top choices are Colgate, Boston College and Holy Cross. Regardless of where she ends up, any college will be thrilled to end up with Katie Breen and her knack for scoring goals.

GIRLS' HOCKEY GIVES GUTSY OT PERFORMANCE

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MARSHALL NETS OT WINNER

Playing with Just Three Defensewomen, Team Holds off Tabor

by Meredith Hudson
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

KUA	6
Andover	4

Andover	6
Tabor (OT)	5

Coming off a tie against Exeter on Wednesday, Andover was determined to start a new win streak on Saturday.

The girls traveled two and a half hours to Kimball Union Academy before bowing to a highly-skilled and shaprshooting team. Though Andover tied K.U.A. in goals for the second and third period, its lack of focus during the first hurt them the entire game. Bonnie Lui '00 and Katie Breen '00 both scored two goals apeice. Strong goal-tending by Katherine Otway '00 and Emmy Grote '03 backboned the Andover defense.

Still searching for a win, Andover faced-off against Tabor Academy on Wednesday. In the first period, Tabor scored quickly and forced Andover to play a game of catch-up. Throughout the entire game, Andover and Tabor went goal for goal, and at the end of regulation, the score was tied. Five more minutes of sudden-death overtime were played, and postgraduate Lori Marshall, double shifting to compensate for a depleted defensive line, scored an amazing wrist shot goal from the point with forty-two seconds left on the clock.

The Blue hopes to build on this remarkable win tonight at home at 6:30 P.M. against traditional rival N.M.H.

Girls' Hockey Falters Against Sharp-Shooting Nobles Team

by Patrick Linneman
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	**7**
NMH	**2**
Nobles	**11**
Andover	**5**

GIRLS' HOCKEY

Andover entered Friday's game against N.M.H. with a 5-5 record in its last ten games. It looked to carry the momentum from a 6-5 overtime triumph against Tabor into this Friday night match-up.

Andover's new addition to its team this year was goaltender Emily Grote '02. With Captain goaltender Katherine Otway '00 given the night off by Coach Martha Fenton, Grote got the call in net for the Blue. Andover, determined to end its tradition of slow first periods, skated hard during warm-ups. It didn't take long for Andover to get on the scoreboard as Susannah Richardson '00 set up Molly Turco '00 for the first goal of the game in the opening period. Andover controlled the tempo of the first period and had many scoring opportunities but was held to one goal. Grote saw limited action through the first period, facing only three shots.

The momentum continued to stay with Andover as the girls pounded home three quick goals in the beginning of the second period. Jess Judge '00 knocked home a rebound off of a Bonnie Liu '00 shot. Caitlin Krause '01 netted the second goal of the period with assists from Merri Hudson '01 and Liu. Anna Barensfeld '02 slipped one past the NMH goaltender in the second period to add one of Andover's four goals. The Hoggers were only able to score one goal against Andover's superior goaltending and tough defense.

In the final period, Andover added two more insurance goals, the first coming from Judge on a pass from Katie Breen '00 and the second from Breen unassisted. NMH tallied only its second goal of the game late in the third period, but was not able to do any further damage. Andover's win came in large part to its great defense. Andover was quicker into the corners and more aggressive to the puck, propelling the Blue to its second consecutive win. Grote saw a total of twelve shots the whole game and played well despite her sporadic ice time this season. Breen again had a superb game with a goal and assist as well as twelve shots of her own. Andover looked to add a third consecutive win on Wednesday against Noble and Greenough.

Otway returned to net for Andover as it headed to Nobles in search of another win. Andover's inconsistent play led to a tough loss. The Blue started the first period off by jumping on its opponenets, scoring an all-important first goal. The Andover defense could not sustain the lead and Andover headed into the locker room trailing Nobles 3-2.

Andover once again could not create many scoring opportunities and was only able to put another goal up on the scoreboard in the second. On the other hand, Nobles knocked home three goals, increasing its lead to three. The third period did not go exactly as Andover had hoped. The Blue let up another five goals, sealing the win for Nobles in a crushing 11-5 loss.

For Andover Turco, Breen, and Liu each added a goal of her own while Judge netted two. As a team, Andover clumped up in the defensive zone, leaving the points wide open, which proved to be disastrous against a good skating and well disciplined team. After the game, Lori Marshall '00 had this to say about the team's performance: "We were not on top of our game today; we did not come to play and it showed as we were beaten to the puck and were not aggressive down low." This Saturday Andover will look to get back on the winning track at home against Milton.

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Senior forward Bonnie Lui carries the puck past a helpless defender en route to one of her many goals on the season.

Lui '00 and Judge '00 Lead Girls Hockey in Split Week

2/23/00

by Pat Linnemann
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	4
Brooks	3

Holderness	2
Andover	1

After the cancellation of the boys' hockey game due to inclement weather, the girls' team toughed out the snowstorm and headed to North Andover to face off against Brooks. PA looked to place a win in the books after coming off of a crushing loss to Buckingham Brown & Nichols.

The girls were slow to get their minds into the game, and looked a little rusty in the first period. Brooks took advantage of these occurances and found itself leading 2-0 after the first period. Luckily, Andover managed to turn things around in the second period. The Blue was able to work the puck down low and gradually began to control the flow of the game. A few minutes into the second session, Jess Judge '00 slipped one past the Brooks goalie off of a pass from Bonnie Lui '00. Right off the faceoff, the duo connected again as Lui set up Judge who blasted a wrist shot past the goaltender for the second Andover goal of the game. With the score now knotted at two, Brooks managed to sneak a goal past Captain Katherine Otway '00 to take a 3-2 lead into the second break.

Andover came out in the third period with more intensity than in the previous periods. Only three minutes in, Katie Breen '00 knocked home the tying goal with assists from Lui and Judge. A mere thirteen seconds later, Lui put the game-winning goal past the Brooks goaltender. Andover's tough defense prevailed for the remainder of the game as the girls sealed the 4-3 win. Lui, with three assists and a goal, and Judge, with two goals and an assist, led the offense and helped propel the team to a win, improving its record to 8-9-3. Otway made a total of fourteen saves throughout the course of the game. Andover looked to improve its record heading into Wednesday's match up with Holderness Academy.

Andover was looking to carry the momentum of this Brooks win into its next game. Unfortunately, Andover had an all-around tough day. After sitting through a long bus ride, the team was forced to wait thirty minutes past the scheduled start time before the initial faceoff actually took place. Otway again got the call in the net for Andover.

Andover did not play up to its potential in the first period unfortunatly. The long bus trip caused fatigue and resulted in a slow start for the Blue. Holderness was able to capitalize on this disadvantage, taking a commanding 2-0 lead after the first period. In the second period Andover began playing well and was able to create many scoring opportunities, yet the Holderness goalie played tenaciously, stopping all scoring chances. Up front for the Blue, the first line of Breen, Liu, and Judge played very well despite the solid Holderness defense. Andover began its comeback in the second period when Molly Turco '00 blasted a shot past the goaltender, but that was all the girls were able to do. Defensively, Ali Mattison '02 played strongly for Andover and anchored the defense. One goal was not enough, however, and Andover lost its tenth game of the season 2-1, slipping to a season record of 8-10-3. After the game, Judge commented about Andover's performance, "Once we got into the game we played strong and were able to control the tempo, but it took us too long to get into the game."

With all sports games respectfully cancelled this past weekend, the Andover Girls Hockey team of '99-'00 came to a close on a down note. After a demoralizing loss to Holderness one week ago, Andover looked forward to playing Exeter in order to improve upon its 8-10-3 record.

This year the defense was anchored by post-graduate Lori Marshall who provided much needed experience. Merri Hudson '01 and Ali Mattison '02 also had great seasons for Andover as they brought their speed and stick handling to the table. Also, defensively for Andover Susannah Richardson '00 added much needed experience as well and helped to lead the defense.

The first forward line of Judge, Liu, and Breen all created most of Andover's offense throughout the year. They played well together and always seemed to create offensive chances for Andover. Turco also contributed to the offense with Caitlin Krause '01 who also were a dynamic scoring duo. Abby Bowen '01, Anna Barensfeld '02, Susannah Orzell '03 were all great additions to the team and gained much needed experience and will look to carry it into next's season. New lower Brit Holten '02 was another great addition but unfortunately was sidelined midway through the season with a knee injury.

Captain Katherine Otway played well all season in net for Andover and also was a great leader. Although this is her final year playing for the Blue, she will be succeeded by new lower Emily Grote who saw ample playing time throughout the season, which will help next year. Coach Martha Fenton and assistants, Chad Green and Tim Marsh will be excited for the '00-'01 season with a returning goalie, five returning forwards, and two returning defense.

SPORT: NORDIC SKIING

YEAR: 1999-2000

CAPTAIN: Adam Schoene
HOME ADDRESS:

MANAGER:
HOME ADDRESS:

COACH: Deborah Carlisle
ASSISTANT COACHES:

SEASON RECORD

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LETTER WINNERS

Delude, Phillip
Hubbard, Rutherford W.
Hume, Kathryn
Kaminoh, Yuuki
Koenigshausen, Klaus
Penley, Clolin
Schoene, Adam
Schroeder, Holly
Watson, Jessica
Witman, Katherine

NORDIC SKIING

			PA	OPP
Wed. Dec. 8, 1999	(A)	Holderness-Games & Sprints	not recorded	
Wed. Jan. 19, 2000	(A)	New Hampton	not recorded	
Wed. Jan. 26, 2000	(A)	St. Paul's Classic	not recorded	
Sat. Jan. 29, 2000	(A)	N.M.H.	not recorded	
Wed. Feb. 2, 2000	(A)	Holderness Classic	not recorded	
Sat. Feb, 5, 2000	(A)	St. Paul's	not recorded	
Wed. Feb. 9, 2000	(A)	K.U.A. (Skate)	not recorded	
Wed. Feb. 16, 2000	(A)	Putney-Lakes Region Champs	not recorded	
wed. feb. 23, 2000	(A)	NEPSAC at Holderness	not recorded	

Andover Nordic Kicks Off 2000 Season With Snow

by Adam Schoene
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

While the visible patches of dirt and grass around the Andover campus were enough to make a skier's heart sink, the slopes were groomed and the tracks were set last week at Waterville Valley in New Hampshire. Granted, the Nordic ski team does not exactly ski down "slopes," but the trails were nonetheless covered with snow and the five-kilometer, winding course was in exceptional condition. With the start of the season already delayed one week due to the disappointing lack of snow, the Andover Nordic crew eagerly waxed its skis, wriggled into its full-body racing uniforms (some with more ease than others), and loaded into the rally wagons, ready to battle the cold and to defend the team's reputation for ferocity.

Moments after their arrival at Waterville last Wednesday, Jess Watson '01 and Katie Witman '00 were rushed to the starting line; they were soon off with a flash of blue Spandex. The racers were aligned in pairs at the start according to past performances, with the faster skiers at the front. Watson went out strong and held a solid pace, managing to capture an impressive fourteenth place. Witman gave it everything she had and then some, as she took a wrong turn and tagged on an extra loop through the woods. Even with the detour, she was able to secure a respectable twentieth place finish.

The Andover boys placed third out of eight teams, outdone only by Nordic heavyweights Holderness and Putney. Phil Delude '00 led the Andover pack, cruising to a solid seventh place finish. He was followed by veteran skier Winslow Hubbard '01, who was able to clinch sixteenth place with a salivaicicle on his chin serving as a testament to his gutsy performance. Hubbard was trailed by Captain Adam Schoene '00, the much-improved Klaus Koenigshausen '00, and Colin Penley '01. Jack Kaminoh '00 and Rob Cannon '02 finished off the Andover pack with strong performances.

This Wednesday, Andover Nordic competed in its first skating race of the season, returning to Waterville Valley. The course was slightly less than five kilometers, so the times were quick. Several new skiers had the opportunity to compete in their first races of the season, undeterred by the course's ominous uphills or by the more experienced competition. Andover's success in the first two meets of the season is hopefully a harbinger of what lies ahead for the team. Coach Deborah Carlisle is optimistic for the rest of the season, and she believes the real strength of the team lies in its depth.

With plenty of snow around campus, the team will now have the opportunity to work on improving technique on a variety of terrains. Next up - a classic race at Holderness.

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Nordic Skiing Quietly Establishes Dominance Over New England Foes

by Adam Schoene
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

With only two meets left in the season, the Andover Nordic Ski Team is primed to sustain its convincing dominance over most of the competition. After several weeks of intense speed workouts and after many opportunities to perfect technique, or to learn it in some instances, Andover skiers are spending less time toppling to the ground and more time shaving valuable seconds off their race times. As Andover skiers acquire the experience, technique, and fitness the Nordic sport demands, the competition is starting to take notice ... and to wonder exactly what kind of wax that Andover team has been using.

As the Holderness skiers were settling down for a moment of rest before the anticipated classic race on their home course last Wednesday, the Andover vans pulled into the parking lot and a sea of blue briskly unloaded, in hopes of getting boots tightened and skis ready before the start of the boys race. After managing to do so with moments to spare, the battalion of forty-five skiers was soon off in a swarming mass-start. Although the tracks were slick and the course was teeming with hills, the Andover boys managed to ski adeptly enough for a reputable third place finish, behind only Holderness and Putney. Phil Delude '00 led the Andover pack once again, continuing his remarkable season with a 10th place finish in a time of 21:23. He was followed with strong performances from Colin Penley '01 and Winslow Hubbard '01, who pushed each other to 15th and 16th place finishes. Captain Adam Schoene '00, Klaus Koenigsahusen '00, and Jack Kaminoh '00 were not far behind, all finishing with improved performances from the prior classic race.

After skiing several warm-up loops and cheering on the boys, the girls squad was eager to frustrate the competition. Katie Witman '00 went out strong with swiftness and determination...she was on a mission. She held her pace throughout the entire race, finishing in an impressive 11th place. Not far behind was Jess Watson '01, who skillfully skied to a 13th place finish. Holly Schroder '02, Andover's emerging Nordic forte, skied to a remarkable 21st place finish in her first ever classical race. Newcomers Katie Hume '02, Becca Lewis '02, and Paige Ryan '02 also put in gutsy performances for the Andover girls. The girls finished fourth overall, a mere two points behind third place St. Paul's.

This Wednesday, Andover Nordic hauled up to Kimball Union Academy to skate a trying 6-kilometer course loaded with arduous hills. Coach Debbie Carlisle was pleased with the strong individual performances and with the team's overall improvement-both factors that bode well for the rapidly approaching championship meet in two weeks.

If the team continues to improve, as has been the trend throughout the past few meets, a successful finish to the season is within its reach. Andover skiers are now eager to put those classic skis back into action for the Lakes Region competition at Putney next week.

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Nordic Girls Hold Onto Fifth; Boys Capture Third at Regionals

by Adam Schoene
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Although the culminating championship Nordic Skiing meet was not without some disappointment for Andover skiers, their collection of a successful overall season is the prevailing image for the team. With the experience of seven returning skiers, the boys were able to secure a second orthird place finish in every regular meet of the season. The girls, with only two returning skiers, still managed to place quite well in every race and to establish a solid team for the years to come. As the temperature began to rise and the remaining snow melted from campus, Andover skiers will air out their racing uniforms, pack their skis away forthe summer, and rejoice with the knowledge that they need not scrape any more wax for another year; the team has earned the repose after a season marked by tenacity, determination, and steady improvement.

Andover Nordic recently journeyed to Putney, Vermont,for the much-anticipated Lakes Region Finals. Since the day was warm and the conditions were less than ideal for classi skiing the typical hill-plagued woodsy course, the girls skied an improvised two-loop trek, totaling 5-kilometers.

Katie Witman '00 dominated the winding trails, finishing first for the Andover girls and fourteenth place overall with a time of 26:00. Jess Watson '01 was the second Andover skiier to cross the finish lines. She finished a solid sixteenth place overall. With the additional help of Holly Schroeder '02 and Katie Hume '02, who placed twenty-second and twenty-fourth respectively, the girls were able to secure a fifth place finish for the day.

The boys tagged on an additional loop for a 7.5- kilometer race, which is the longest racing distance of the season. Phil Delude '00 skied yet another incredible race, leading the Andover boys with his seventh place finish in a time of 31:26. Klaus Koenigshausen '00 finished next for Andover in fourteenth place, after skiing an inspirational race in which he was determined to beat his many Putney rivals on their home course. Colin Penley '01 and Adam Schoene '00 were the final Andover scorers, skiing together for most of the race, taking the sixteenth and seventeenth spots. The Andover boys finished in third place closely behind Holderness and Putney.

Last Wednesday, Andover skiers awoke early to travel to Holderness for the day-long New England Prep School Championship meet, a larger event than the Lakes Region Competition, with a total of twelve New England teams competing. The championship consists of a longer skating race in the morning (5k for girls and 7.5k for boys), followed by a 3-kilometer classic relay race in the afternoon. Watson led the Andover girls in the skating race, skiing to an impressive eighteenth place finish.

Witman unfortunately took a tumble and injured her shoulder as she flew down one of the course's precipitous hills, yet she still managed to finish a respectable twenty-first place.

Schroeder and Hume also skied well in the skating event, and again in the afternoon when they joined Watson and Witman for the expeditious classical relay.

The boys put every effort into their races, but they couldn't quite compete up to their usual standard. Delude, who was plagued by illness, struggled in the skating race and he was unable to compete in the classic relay. Winslow Hubbard '01 took a hard hit in the head when he pummeled to the ground on the same hill that had been Witman's downfall earlier. Hubbard was still able to fill in for Delude in the afternoon relay, leading off with a remarkable leg. Penley placed twenty-first overall in the skating, finishing first for the Andover boys and skiing a truly impressive race. He was followed by Koenigshausen, Delude, and then Schoene, who all finished in the top thirty-five places.

The progress of the Andover Nordic Ski team throughout the season would not have been possible without the guidance and instruction of Coaches Carlisle and Milkowski. With their help, and with the spirit and dedication of the members of the team, along with a little snow, the 2000 Nordic season was undoubtedly a success.

Courtesy of A. Schoene

The Winter 2000 Boys and Girls Nordic Ski Teams pose at Holderness this past Wednesday after competing in Lakes Regional Finals.

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SPORT: SQUASH - BOYS

YEAR: 1999-2000

CAPTAIN: Nathan Beck
HOME ADDRESS:

MANAGER:
HOME ADDRESS:

COACH: Kerry Bystrom
ASSISTANT COACHES:

SEASON RECORD

WON 8 LOST 5 TIED 0

LETTER WINNERS

Beck, Nathan	Goela, Vikas
Chin, Andrew	Patel, Nakul
Chung, Yookyun	Pytka, Brendan
Fuller, Charles	Simonton, William

BOYS' SQUASH

			PA	OPP
Sat. Jan. 8, 2000	(H)	Choate/Exeter/Taft	3	4 Choate
			0	7 Taft
Wed. Jan. 12, 2000	(A)	Deerfield	3	4
Sat. Jan. 22, 2000	(A)	Middlesex	6	1
Wed. Jan. 26, 2000	(A)	St. Paul's (7)	4	3
Fri. Jan. 28, 2000	(H)	Tufts	7	0
Sat. Jan. 29, 2000	(H)	Choate/Westminster/Brooks	5	2 Westm.
			3	4 Choate
Wed. Feb. 2, 2000	(A)	Exeter	5	2
Sat. Feb. 5, 2000	(A)	Milton	6	1
Wed. Feb. 9, 2000	(A)	Belmont Hill	6	1
Wed. Feb. 16, 2000	(A)	St. George's	5	2
Wed. Feb. 23, 2000	(H)	Exeter	3	4
Sat. Feb. 26, 2000	(A)	INterscholastics (Williams)	canceled	

Two Close Contests for Boys' Squash; Tight Matches Decide Win and Loss

by Nakul Patel
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	**4**
Choate	**3**

Deerfield	**4**
Andover	**3**

You might have noticed some big guys walking around the weight room. Well, after raising our bench-press max's to just the 45 pound bar and no assistance (with the exception of Vikas) under the close supervision of Coach Hodgson's side-kick Kerry Bystrom '03, we (the boys' squash team) took to the courts against a seemingly even-matched Choate squad, as well as [the evil] Taft School.

Having drilled for a solid week, we were ready. We felt the adrenaline running through our veins. We were exhilarated, and ready to step on the court Saturday to both demolish the Wild Boars and exorcise the demon, the squash power Taft.

The match got off to a strong start; playing number one, Captain Nate Beck '01 handily defeated his opponent in three quick games. At number two, Simonton '03 squeaked out a 3-1 Andover win with close scores in each game. At number three, senior Drew Chin lost a quick match 0-3, and later confessed that he was feeling much anxiety playing so high on the ladder for the first time. Playing number four, Nakul Patel '01 also won fairly easily in three games. Enthusiasm was building as one more win would hand the victory to Andover. At number five was Charlie Fuller '00, who lost a close match 1-3. We expected a strong performance from numbers 6 and 7, James Chung '01 and Brendan Pytka '00, respectively, who both played their hearts out only to lose 0-3.

Slightly discouraged, we moved on to our match versus Taft, the expected New England champions. Each and every one of us lost 0-3, without winning a single game. However, after the match, Coach Hodgson proudly remarked, "I am very impressed with athe way you all played. In fact, you played better squash against Taft, than you did against Choate, which by no means is a facile task."

After Saturday's loss, we, expecting a win, drove a long way Wednesday to the back country to compete against Deerfield. We got off to a slow start with a 0-3 loss from number six Chung, only to rebound with a 3-1 win from number four Fuller. Next up, number two Simonton, closely followed by his opponent, skipped onto the court to assume his position for the start of the match. Unfortunately he was unable to pull it out, as he lost 1-3. Number seven Pytka was next to finish but, sadly, also lost 0-3. Number five Vikas Goela '01 put on an impressive display with a comeback from 1-2 in games, and a final victory of 3-2. Following Goela's long five-game match was Captain Beck, who, despite playing poorly at first, finished with a 3-2 win as well. All of our hopes, dreams and aspirations were now invested in number three Patel, whose match would determine a team victory or defeat. The obnoxious Deerfield crowd disrupted his focus, causing him to lose fairly quickly, 0-3.

Even with the absence of number three Drew Chin, this match should have been an easy Andover win. Following the disappointing loss, many team members confess to having been extremely overconfident going into the match. Captain Beck had a much simpler explanation for our losing streak: "The strongest part of our team is the top of the ladder. Namely, me. Wouldn't it be great if I could play every match myself with you guys cheering me on?"

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Boys' Squash Wins Twice In Best Week of Season to Date

by Nakul Patel
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	**6**
Middlesex	**1**

Andover	**5**
St. Paul's	**2**

SQUASH

Andover boys' squash had lost all four of its matches so far this season, and looked to win its first contest against host Middlesex on Saturday. Although spirits were low after a poor showing at Deerfield the previous Wednesday, the team worked out and drilled hard in the week prior to the Middlesex match.

The boys' work clearly paid off as the team defeated Middlesex handily 6-1. Despite this recent blowout, however, they entered the next match against St. Paul's with a negative attitude, expecting a loss.

Playing up one spot at number six due to the absence of Charlie Fuller '00, James Chung '01 was the first to complete his match with an impressive 3-0 victory. Next, was Nakul Patel '01, who had one of the three 5-game victories, winning the first, fourth and fifth games of his match. After Nakul's long showing came another 5-game match. Although he played well, freshman prodigy Will Simonton '03, lost with a fifth game score of 7-9. At number 5, Vikas Goela '01 played an inconsistent match and lost 1-3. Following this unfortunate loss however, Gavin McGrath '01 pushed the team from the bottom of the ladder and came through with a 3-2 win after coming back from an 0-2 defecit.

Andover was now ahead 3-2, needing one more win for a team victory over St. Paul's. At numbers one and three, Nate Beck '01 and Drew Chin '00 respectively, entered the court at the same time. Beck's Zimbabwe-groomed opponent was expecting to defeat him without a fight. Therefore, most of the crowd flocked to Chin's court. Drew entered the match against an old squash camp friend and was quite nervous as a college coach was watching his match. He lost the first game in a matter of seconds, but was quick to bounce back with a win in the second. Both Drew and his opponent played at peak level in the following games.Drew narrowly won the third game and barely lost the third nd fourth.Just prior to the fifth game, coach Hodgson pumped him up with some philosophical and persuasive words: "You hold the fate of our team in the palm of your hands. If you don't win, our spirits will be crushed for eternity." Apparently, his words of encouragement were helpful as Chin won the last game 10-8 having come back from 5-8.

Although the deciding match was won, Nate was still partaking in a surprisingly close and intense match. Beck chased down every single ball, playing with incredible precision and patience, but lost the fifth game 7-9. This victory against St. Paul's is a strong reassurance of the team's capabilities. This evening, the boys will take on the Tufts varsity squad, followed by both Brooks and Choate tomorrow afternoon.

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Boys' Squash

The boys split the past week, defeating Westminster but falling to Choate in a tri-meet last Saturday. Tomorrow the team travels to Milton in preparation for upcoming Interschols.

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SPORT: SQUASH - GIRLS

YEAR: 1999-2000

CAPTAIN: Ashley Harmeling
HOME ADDRESS:

MANAGER:
HOME ADDRESS:

COACH: Thomas Hodgson
ASSISTANT COACHES:

SEASON RECORD

WON 12 LOST 1 TIED 0

LETTER WINNERS

Beckford, Alexis
Christodoulo, Thayer
Harmeling, Ashley
Hrdy, Camilla
Huang, Wendy
Leung, Sandra
Olans, Jessica
Roberts, Eliza
Yao, Caroline

GIRLS' SQUASH

			PA	OPP
Wed. Dec. 1, 1999	(A)	Tabor	9	0
Sat. Jan. 8, 2000	(H)	Choate	3	4
Wed. Jan. 12, 2000	(H)	Middlesex	5	2
Fri. JAn. 14, 2000	(H)	Brooks	7	0
Sat. JAn. 22, 2000	(H)	Exeter	7	0
Wed. JAn. 26, 2000	(H)	Groton	7	0
Fri. Jan. 28, 2000	(H)	Tufts	6	1
Wed. Feb. 2, 2000	(H)	Noble & Geenough	6	1
Sat. Feb. 5, 2000	(A)	Milton	6	1
Wed. Feb. 9, 2000	(A)	St. Paul's	4	3
Sat. FEb. 12, 2000	(A)	Deerfield	6	1
Wed. Feb. 16, 2000	(H)	Winsor	7	0
Wed. Feb. 23, 2000	(A)	Exeter	6	1
Fri. Feb. 25, 2000	(A)	Interscholastics	canceled	

A. Tucker/ *The Phillipian*

Captain Ashley Harmeling '00 split the week, handily defeating her Choate opponent but then falling to a world-ranked Middlesex player

Split Week for Girls' Squash; Strong Core of Senior Leaders

by Thayer Christodoulo
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Choate	4
Andover	3

Andover	5
Middlesex	2

At the beginning of the squash season, Head Coach Tom Hodgson adressed the "girls with raquets" with his new philosophy: "I sweat therefore I am." This philosophy helped carry the girls through the practices that guided them through November wins over a weak Tabor squad and a highly competitive Harvard JV team. Last Saturday, the big Coach's words failed, as the girls couldn't squeeze out a close win over Choate. However, the inspirational words of Coach Susan McCaslin put the "girls with racquets" in high spirits on Wednesday as they took an easy 5-2 win over an able Middlesex crew.

Saturday's loss to Choate was a heartbreaker as the girls lost by a mere point. It is thought by many that had the match occurred later in the season, Andover would have had the edge over the Choate squad that has been training longer as a team this year.

Playing at number one in the Choate match, senior Ashley Harmeling made mincemeat of her opponent in an easy three game win. At number two, Sasha Hrdy '00 had a tighter five set match and eventually won in a 9-7 final game. At the third spot Alexis Beckford '00 had a tougher match and succumbed to her opponent in a quick three game match. Playing four for Andover, Wendy Huang '01 squeaked out yet another five set victory, though Thayer Christodoulo '00 could not emulate Huang's success as she lost in a four game attempt. At six and seven, Jess Olans '01 and Eliza Roberts '02,

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respectively, lost in three straight sets to Choaties.

Before any further explanation, let it be said that Ashley Harmeling wins the McCaslin Sportsmanship Award of the Week. Harmeling faced the infamous Lillian Rosenthal who is the proud owner of a national squash ranking. In English, this means that Lillian is very good and Ashley did an incredible job to win the six points she did. Cheers, Ashley, for your award this week.

Wednesday's match was a more positive turn-out for the Blue. Playing number two against Middlesex, Hrdy pulled out an incredible win that ended in a competitive fifth game in which she outplayed her opponent. Hrdy's high fitness level and ability to run her opponent out of wind were the most important factors in achieving her win. At three Beckford met a tough opponent and lost in three straight games. At four, Huang pulled out a relatively easy four game win, while Christodoulo allowed her opponent a mere two points in the entire match. Olans and Roberts pulled out similar wins in three games, leaving Robert's opponent to remark after the match, "I was lucky to get the seven points I got." Way to go Blue!

With four returning seniors (Harmeling, Christodoulo, Hrdy and Beckford) at the helm, and two returning uppers, Olans and Huang, this year's squash squad is a deep and highly experienced team. With an anticipated easy match against Brooks tonight, it looks like Andover squash should coast through the season until it meets up with an outstanding St. Paul's team later in the season. Regardless, PA's female squashers should place at least as high as six of thirty-two teams at Interschols at the end of the season.

A. Tucker/ *The Phillip*

Wendy Huang '01, playing the four seed for girls' varsity squash, ispatched both her opponents this week.

Girls' Squash Trounces Brooks; Bagels Prove Crucial to Success

by Thayer Christodoulo and Wendy Huang
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITERS

Andover	7
Brooks	0

Facing a traditionally weaker team from the Brooks School, the Andover girls' squash teams swept all 18 matches played last Saturday from the varsity teams through JV2.

In the top 7 seeds, the girls all played solid matches not dropping a single game to the opposition.

On devastating win, Thayer Christodoulo '00 said, "Bagels. Mmm.. mmm good."

"The girlsí squash team loves to eat bagels, but we donít share with our opponents. Ever. We like to show other people our bagels, however.

The played Brooks School last Friday and everyone either bageled their opponents or nearly did. Basically, that means that Brooks didnít win and they didnít even come close to winning."

We took Saturday and the following Wednesday off, but tomorrow we play arch-rival Exeter at 2 pm and will need some support. Come on, the squash galleries are a fun place in which to spend your Saturday afternoons. Go towards the boys locker room by the swing around out back and take a left at the door. Go through them. Then look down and you shall see girls in white skirts smashing balls and having their opponents beg for mercy and crying and screamingÖ I meanÖ why donít you just come over. You know you want to.

Our practices have been quite uplifting all week to prepare for this monumental event tomorrow. This means that we have been playing in the Hodgson-McCaslin Round-Robin Handicap Tournament. Or, at least we hope it will be annual but in reality itís only the first year of such a tournament. Itís going well so far: some have lost and some have won. We sweat, therefore we are; according to Coach Hodgson who stole the phrase from a Coach Modeste memo. Keep on sweating, girls.

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High-Powered Girls' Squash Shuts Out Exeter, Groton; Improves to 6-1 Under Leadership of Captain and Number-One Seed Ashley Harmeling

by Wendy Huang
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	7
Exeter	0

Andover	7
Groton	0

Girls' squash scored two big wins over rivals Phillips Exeter Academy and the Groton School last week, sweeping both matches 7-0. This brings the team's season record to a strong six wins against only one loss.

As it is with any showdown between the Big Blue and the (slightly smaller) Big Red, the girls' match against Phillips Exeter Academy on Saturday was a tale about honor, pride, and glory unlimited. The match was also about some good, old-fashioned putting the foot to the red patootie. The Andover "girls with racquets" swept Exeter beginning with the top seven varsity members all the way through to number 19 on JV2.

In the number one seed, Captain Ashley Harmeling '00 defeated Exeter's Crosby Haynes '00 handily in three games, dropping only four points (9-2, 9-0, 9-2).

Sasha Hrdy '00, at the number two seed, also took her match in three games. Though it took the first game for Sasha to adjust to her opponents playing style, Hrdy took the next two quickly (9-7, 9-3, 9-1).

Revenge was sweet at the number three seed. Alexis Beckford '00 played against Victoria Birch '00, the same Exie she played last year. The last time the two clashed, Birch edged out a narrow win, 10-9 in the fifth game. This year, Beckford was determined to right that cosmic wrong. Playing hard, low, aggressive shots to the back corners, Beckford kept her opponent behind her and up against the glass to take the first game 9-4. After the initial shock, Birch rallied back to win the next two games. Beckford was not to be stopped, however, and ratcheted up her already tight rails to another level. Wielding deep and aggressive shots, Beckford controlled the "T" and took the match in five games (9-4, 2-9, 5-9, 9-5, 9-5).

At number four, Wendy Huang '01 found her hard serve particularly useful against her opponent. Even in three games, the Exie could not get used to the ball bouncing straight at her after breaking the wall. Huang won (9-3, 9-3, 9-0).

Thayer Christodoulo '00 at number five was equally successful. After edging out the first game by a narrow margin, Christodoulo varied her short and long shots to exploit her opponent's unwillingness to run to the ball. Christodoulo won in three (10-8, 9-0, 9-2).

At number six, Eliza Roberts '02 took command of her match from the very beginning and never allowed her opponent to recover from her smart shots. Roberts won in three (9-3, 9-2, 9-2).

Jess Olans '01, at number seven, played through an illness and still controlled the match from the beginning. Olans won in three (9-4, 9-1, 9-1).

The girls are looking forward to another chance to (play) squash (with) Exeter again next month in their dungeon in New Hampshire.

Coming off the big win against Exeter, the girls were ready and confident in their abilities against Groton. Before the match, Coach McCaslin told them, "Play like you did against Exeter and you'll be fine." Everyone took that advice. The girls with racquets swept Groton 7-0.

At number one, Harmeling played an exciting match against Groton number one Hilary Thorndike '00. Last year when the two played, Harmeling lost in three games. The gallery was on edge while Harmeling took advantage of her second chance. In this nail-biter of a match, rallies of up to thirty strokes or more were not uncommon. In displays of incredible endurance, the two contenders drove rail after rail into the corners of the court before a loose shot would come up and one of the two would put it away. Harmeling won in five (9-3, 6-9, 9-4, 2-9, 9-5).

At two, Hrdy quickly frustrated her opponent in three games (9-0, 9-3, 9-3) as did Alexis Beckford at three. Beckford once again played a very aggressive first game. Getting into the second game, however, she lost a little momentum, but quickly gained it back after returning the court from the trainers. Toward the end of the second game, her opponent dangerously played a ball when Beckford had not cleared. Beckford was hit in the head, yet managed to escape a more serious injury. Beckford returned to win the match in three games (9-1, 10-9, 9-1).

At four, Huang took her match in

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three games as her opponent seemed to have a little difficulty adjusting to the warmer Andover courts. The Groton squash facilities are very cold, so the ball doesn't bounce as high as it does on warmer courts. Huang won in three (9-2, 9-3, 9-3).

At five, six, and seven, respectively, Christodoulo, Roberts, and Olans all played strong offensive games and kept their opponents far at bay. Christodoulo won in three (9-3, 9-1,9-5) as did Roberts (9-5, 9-4, 9-3), and Olans (9-0, 9-4, 9-1).

After these two overwhelming, wins over Exeter and Groton, the girls squash team is confident going into tonight's match against Tufts and looking forward to the traditionally tougher teams that it will play in the upcoming weeks.

Girls' Squash

Improving its season record to 6-1, Girls' Squash swept both its matches this week. They defeated rivals Exeter and Groton. *-pg. 4*

A. Tucker/ *The Phillipian*

Girls' Squash Dominates Both College and High School Foes

by Wendy Huang
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	7
Tufts	0

Andover	6
Nobles	1

SQUASH

In another successful week, the girls' squash team swept Tufts JV and took a young Nobles and Greenough team by storm. Despite losing a top player to illness in each of the matches, the other players pulled together in their time of need to take both matches by wide margins.

The girls played host to a spirited Tufts JV team last Friday without captain and number one Ashley Harmeling '00. Every player stepped up to the challenge of playing one slot above her usual position and handed Tufts a shutout 7-0.

Sharing the courts with the boys' team, which also played Tufts, the Andover squash players lined up by team and number on ladder as is customary in New England prep school matches. The Tufts team, on the other hand, accustomed to a more informal introductory session, lined up in no particular order. Seeing this, the Tufts coach was quick to point out that in this match the Andover "girls' team" would be playing the Tufts "women's team" and the Andover "boys" the Tufts "men." He also noted the "difference between college and high school students" in that the two genders mixed in college whereas they seemed not to in high school.

The girls team soon showed Tufts that, girls or women, Andover was still better than Tufts.

At number one, Sasha Hrdy '00 filled the top slot and seemingly effortlessly overcame her opponent. The Tufts number one, a varsity player at Tufts, may have been able to handle Hrdy's infamous drop shots by themselves, but Hrdy's drops coupled with deadly accurate and soft drives that refused to bounce back up out of the corners were too much, and Hrdy won in three games.

Alexis Beckford '00 at number two dominated her Tufts counterpart to the chant of "be aggressive, Be-ee aggressive." Controlling the "T" and attacking the loose balls that her opponent eventually had to give up, Beckford won in three games.

At three, Wendy Huang '01 also took her match in three games as her opponent was not able to move as quickly to the ball as was necessary. Thayer Christodoulo '00, at four, kept her opponent at bay with well-placed drives and patience. Although the score of the second game was very tight, the Tufts player never came very close enough to pose a serious challenge to Christodoulo's win.

Wonderkid Eliza Roberts '02 stole the show with her play at the number five. Starting off strong and finishing her match in record time, Roberts used her powerful serve and tight rails to keep her competition from often times even touching the ball. Keep an eye on this one: she's a mover and a shaker. Roberts began the year at the top of JV1 and has steadily climbed up the ladder as her squash skills increase exponentially from week to week. If you see her on the paths, congratulate her on her excellent play this week, and then wish her a sweet sixteenth birthday.

At six and seven respectively, Jess Olans '01 and Sandra Leung '02 also both took their matches in three games.

With Harmeling back for this match, the fates decided to test the Blue again; this time by sending the Jamaican sensation Beckford to the infirmary. Andover still managed to play well and take the match 6-1.

Back at number one after a short recovery period from illness, Harmeling returned to play the same middle schooler she played at number one last year. Sometime between the seventh and eighth grade, Harmeling's opponent squash skills had matured a little more: This year, the Nobles number one was able to get a game off of

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Girls' Squash Improves to 8-1 Season Record

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Harmeling. Harmeling won in four games.

Hrdy, at two, played her usual stellar game using touch and precision to make the ball do exactly what her opponent didn't want it to do.

Huang at three lost a long five-game match to a very fast and fit opponent. Huang won the first two games by solid margins, but was frustrated by her opponent's apparent ability to return everything.

Christodoulo had a much easier time with her opponent, wiping her out in three games. The same was true of Roberts, Olans, and Leung at five, six, and seven. All won in three games to secure Andover's victory.

Next week, the girls are headed for what are expected to be two of the toughest matches of the season against Milton Academy and squash powerhouse St. Paul's School. Last year, St. Paul's defeated the Blue 7-0 both times they played. The prospects seem brighter this year, though. Although St. Paul's has not graduated its world number one Linda McNair of Zimbabwe, the St. Paul's team has lost several seniors from last year.

"We're looking for revenge," said Christodoulo. "If we continue to play as well as we have in our practices and in our matches, we should do well against St. Paul's. We have a very strong team this year and they are not unbeatable."

Girls' Squash Bests Seemingly Unbeatable St. Paul's Squad

Andover	4
St. Paul's	3

Andover	6
Milton	1

GIRLS' SQUASH

by Wendy Huang
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

The girls' squash team won two tough matches this week, including the most anticipated match of the season against squash powerhouse St. Paul's School. The Blue took St. Paul's 4-3 on Wednesday and Milton Academy 6-1 on Saturday. With these two wins, the squad's season record comes to an exceptional 10 wins out of 11 matches.

"In my four years at Andover we have never beaten St. Paul's before. It was sweet revenge," enthused #5 player Thayer Christodoulo '00.

Last year the St. Paul's team mauled Andover 7-0 both times the teams met.

At number one, Ashley Harmeling '00 faced the world-ranked St. Paul's number one Linda McNair, also last year's New England Interscholastic squash champion. Strategically, according to Harmeling, she moved to play the ball in the front of the court.

"I got most of my points off of her in the drop sequences." Harmeling lost the hard-fought match in three games (1-9, 2-9, 4-9).

Playing at two, Sasha Hrdy '00 encountered an opponent she should be very familiar with: The St. Paulís number two beat Hrdy in the finals of the seven draw two years be and the two have played each other three other times before in regular season matches. Hrdy went into this game looking for redemption, but was disappointed in three games. The infamous Hrdy drop shots were not as lethal as they usually are and her opponent was quick to volley and put away any loose shots. (6-9, 5-9, 4-9)

Number three Wendy Huang'01 was also frustrated in her efforts against St. Paul's in a heartbreaking five-game match against St. Paul's Mimi Stoval, a two time finalist at Interschols in the number 6 draw. Huang lost in five games (6-9, 9-6, 0-9, 9-4, 7-9).

Despite the earlier defeats, circumstances began to look a lot better for the Blue as number four Alexis Beckford '00 took the court. Beckford wowed her audiences from the very beginning quickly jumping to take the lead. The Exeter boys' team coach, who also had a match at St. Paul's that afternoon, was heard praising the strength of Beckford's drives. Harmeling also attested to Beckford's dazzling play, commenting, "It was the best I've ever seen Alexis play all season. She was moving 110% better." Beckford took the match in three games (10-8, 9-2, 9-7).

At five, Christodoulo was equally successful. Though the first game was very close with both players powering the ball past each other, Christodoulo stepped up her play at the beginning of the second game and overpowered her opponent. Christodoulo won in three games (8-10, 9-6, 9-1, 9-2).

Number six Eliza Roberts '02 breezed by her opponent in record time. Her St. Paul's counterpart simply could not handle Robert's powerful serves and tight rails. Roberts won in three (9-1, 9-5, 9-4).

In a nail-biter of a match, number seven Jess Olans '01 edged out her opponent by outlasting her in long rallies in the deep court. Olans won in three (9-5, 10-8, 10-9).

Harmeling reflected, "We've come so far from the beginning of the season. Even in the games we lost we played really well."

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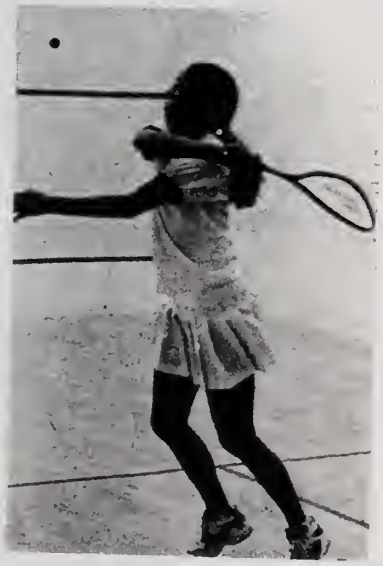

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Ashley Harmeling '00 played a tough match, but fell to her world-ranked St. Paul's opponent.

Girls' Squash Goes 2-0 For Week
Deerfield, Winsor Dispatched Easily

by Thayer Christodoulo
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	6
Deerfield	1

Andover	7
Winsor	0

SQUASH

Girls' squash ended the week on a powerful note, with a 6-1 victory over a mighty Deerfield squad and a 7-0 shutout against a mild Winsor team. These two wins advanced the Big Blue to an unprecedented 12-1 record.

On Saturday, the girls traveled to Deerfield with Coach Hodgson to battle the Green. Deerfield's team boasted a strong season with one of the best number one players in the area. However, its best player recently had her appendix removed, forcing each player to bump up a spot on the ladder. This was clearly to the advantage of the Blue, as Deerfield could not step up to the challenge without its most talented player.

At number one, Ashley Harmeling '00 dictated the points and won in four games. Though Harmeling lost the first game of the match, she was up 8-0 at one point of the game and her opponent had an incredible comeback, winning in a tie-breaker. Harmeling, clearly upset by her first game loss, stepped up her play and nearly blanked her opponent in the next three games (8-9, 9-4, 9-0, 9-1).

In the second spot, Sasha Hrdy '00 won in three games. Though the match score of 3-0 shows a strong Andover win, Hrdy really battled out her match and won the first game in a tie-breaker. Eliminating unforced errors, Hrdy stepped up and dominated in the second game. She squeezed out the third game in another close tie-breaker. (10-9, 9-2, 10-8)

Playing number three, Wendy Huang '01 played a commanding match. With her strong use of boasts and her combination shots, Huang trampled her opponent in a mere three games. (9-7, 9-6, 9-1)

At four, Alexis Beckford '00 won in four games after getting off to a slow start in the first. Beckford upped the pace of the match in the second game and began moving her opponent around the court to easily win the next three. (6-9, 9-3, 9-1, 9-7)

In the number five match, Thayer Christodoulo '00 played her toughest contest of the season, only to fall in the fifth game. Christodoulo won the first game easily. The combination of her opponent's improved play and some officiating discrepancies allowed the Deerfield opponent to win the second by a point in the tie-breaker. Christodoulo came back nearly to blank her opponent in the third, but fell in another tie-break in the fourth. With a sore knee, Christodoulo faltered in the fifth to lose the match. (9-3, 9-10, 9-3, 10-8, 5-9)

At six and seven, Jess Olans '01 and Eliza Roberts '02 , respectively, won their matches with little difficulty. Olans won in a quick four games (9-3, 4-9, 9-5, 9-5), while Roberts had powerful rails and serves to win in three (10-8, 9-0, 9-5).

On Wednesday, Winsor came expecting to play Andover's JV. However the Andover varsity squad had no scheduled match, so Winsor faced a much tougher opponent. In the blue's last home match of the season, they swept Winsor. The win had special meaning for the seniors, especially for Christodoulo who desperately wanted to sweep her former school.

At number one, Harmeling shutout her opponent, sister of former varsity player Jennifer Shingleton '98. Though Harmeling felt that her level of play fell during the match, she trounced her opponent in three (9-4, 9-2, 9-6).

At number two, Hrdy had another easy match (9-5, 9-1, 9-4), while Huang destroyed her third ranked opponent (9-4, 9-4, 9-5).

At number four, Beckford had a slightly more difficult match, though she stepped all over her weaker, inexperienced player (9-5, 10-8, 9-4). At five, Christodoulo nearly left her opponent without a point, winning in three (9-3, 9-0, 9-0).

Roberts stepped up to number six, following the absence of Olans, and had few problems, winning in three (9-3, 9-7, 9-3). At seven, Sandra Leung '02 stepped up from the junior varsity to win in three (10-8, 9-0, 9-5).

Overall, the week's success puts the blue in an excellent position. The Blue faces Groton tonight, a team Andover beat 7-0 earlier this season, and will play Exeter, another opponent the girls' swept 7-0, on Wednesday. With Interschols a week from today, Blue anticipates as high as a second place finish behind an incredible Greenwich Academy squad, if everyone plays up to speed.

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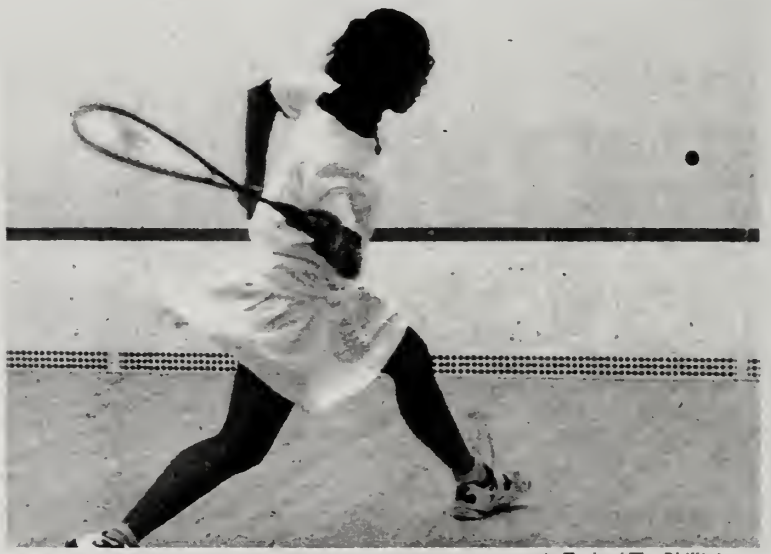

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Alexis Beckford '00 pulled out a tough three set victory Wednesday.

Squash Flattens Winsor 7-0

SPORT: SWIMMING - BOYS

YEAR: 1999-2000

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HOME ADDRESS:

MANAGER: Kelly Elworthy & Kelly Ristuccia
HOME ADDRESS:

COACH: Scott Hoenig
ASSISTANT COACHES: Loring Strudwick

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Chung, Eric
Curtis, Cameron
Dietz, Carl
Elworthy, Kelly-Jean
Fiske, Brian
Green, Adam
Hill, Eugene D.
Kaufman, Bryce
Kuangparichat, Gavin
Lo, JOnathan
Moger, Nathaniel
Mueller, Michael
Neuwirth, Benjamin
Noll, Daniel
Rechnitz, Michael
Ristuccia, Kelly
Seymour, Bradford
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Thornton, Alexander
Vantzelfde, Nathan
Washburn, HUnter

BOYS' SWIMMING

			PA	OPP
Swt. Jan. 8, 2000	(H)	Choate	109	76
Sat. Jan. 15, 2000	(H)	Loomis-Chaffee	not recorded	
Wed. Jan. 19, 2000	(H)	LIncoln Sudbury	not recorded	
Sat. Jan. 22, 2000	(H)	N.M.H.	127	58
Sat. Jan. 29, 2000	(H)	Deerfield	124	59
Wed. Feb. 2, 2000	(H)	Barracudas/New Wave	not recorded	
Sat. Feb. 5, 2000	(A)	Hopkins	110	73
Wed. Feb. 9, 2000	(H)	Worcester	128	46
Sat. Feb. 12, 2000	(A)	Suffield/Williston (WILL '01)	not recorded	
Wed. Feb. 23, 2000	(A)	Exeter	not recorded	

second place @ interschols

Boys' Swimming Open the Season With Resounding Victory Over Choate

by Mike Rechnitz
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	**109**
Choate	**76**

The Phillips Academy boys swimming team kicked off the 2000 season with an outstanding 109-76 victory over the Choate Wild Boars on Saturday. Despite graduating ten seniors from last year's team, a fresh set of young swimmers and a few four-year veterans proved that not much can hold back the Blue from another solid year in the pool.

Led by Captain Hunter Washburn '00 and six other returning seniors, the team took nine of the twelve events in Saturday's races. Newcomer Brian Fiske '03 made a strong appearance, winning two individual first place finishes in the longer 200- and 500-meter freestyle races, while Nate Vantzelfde '00 returned with his speed, capturing first places in the 50- and 100-meter freestyle races. Fiske won the 500 freestyle over his Choate opponent by ten seconds, which is quite a large margin for swimming. Albert So '01 captured two individual events as well, pulling his weight for the Blue, with wins in the 200IM and the 100-meter breaststroke. Hot shot freshman Dave Hill swam like Rocky Balboa fought, bringing both the freestyle relays to victory.

Other outstanding performances came from J.C. MacMillan '03, the freshman successor to diving captain Mike Rechnitz '00, with the new teammates grasping second and third place, respectively, in Saturday's meet. Nat Moger '00 helped Phillips win the 200 Medley Relay (the first race of every meet), but decided to quit while he was on top when he became pained with an ankle injury. Moger expects to be back on his feet (quite literally) for the Blue's next meet.

Notable performances by many other swimmers gave Andover a substantial lead over the Choate boys en route to the 109-76 victory. It was an impressive start to the 2000 season. The swimmers hope to better last year's second place New England finish, but realize that they have a long way to go and that graduated swimmers like All-American T.J. Durkin '99 left some big shoes to fill. The performances are apt to get even better as coach Scott Hoenig whips the Blue into shape, hoping to see some new school records set. With Fiske, Moger, Vantzelfde, and Hill, it wouldn't be surprising to see some fireworks in the relays.

Although the boys didn't have a meet on Wednesday, they were hard at work preparing for tomorrow's meet against Loomis. Hunter Washburn '00 remarked that he "wouldn't be surprised to see us [the Blue] dominate Loomis on Saturday." As long as the boys stay healthy and can avoid the flu, whicht is very common among swimmers, it would not be surprising to see them take it to any team in New England, even traditional powerhouse Exeter. The season is off to a convincing start, and the Blue looks to be strong for the 2000 season.

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Boys' Swimming Claims 2 Victories; Remains Undefeated This Season

by Michael Rechnitz
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	**112**
Loomis-Chaffee	**74**

Andover	**121**
Lincoln-Sudbury	**57**

BOYS' SWIMMING

Two more excellent performances on Saturday against Loomis-Chaffee, and on Wednesday against Lincoln-Sudbury have earned the boys' swimming team an undefeated record thus far this season. All-around strength from returning swimmers as well as new additions led the Blue to crushing victories over both teams. An enthused head coach Scott Hoenig lauds the team's efforts as "a strong start to a season where we have talent and ability to perform with the best teams in New England."

On Saturday the Loomis-Chaffee team took the long ride up to Phillips only to be pounced by the Blue. The boys surmounted the rapture of just a plain victory by beating the Loomis boys by a greater margin than the meet against Choate. Winning eleven of the twelve events, the boys captured a victory of 112-74.

"It's hard to do much better than that," said captain Hunter Washburn '00, "The only thing to do now is keep working hard, and get faster." Washburn bettered his time in the 500 Freestyle from the Blue's meet against Choate by five seconds. Brian Fiske '03 finished with top-notch performances again, taking individual firsts in the 200 IM and the 500 Freestyle, but hot on his tail was freshman Cameron Curtis. Curtis took a close second in the 200 IM and helped the 400 Freestyle Relay team to victory. Senior Nat Moger tied with fellow four-year veteran Nate Vantzelfde '00 in the 50 Freestyle for first with a 22.50, as well as contributing to two relay victories. Moger commented "There were some great individual performances in this meet, but it's nerve-wracking to see [Curtis] so close to my split as a freshman."

Ben Neuwirth '02, had a great day in the pool, taking first place in the 200 Backstroke. His time of 57.79 shocked the entire team, as he beat his Loomis opponent by a good three seconds. Albert So '01 broke 57 seconds in the 100 Butterfly, giving him the first place spot. John Lo '02 helped the 200 Medley Relay to victory, as well as capturing first in the 100 Breaststroke. Lo looks to be in good shape for future victories in this event, and will be a major contributor to the Blue in close meets.

After a sprint practice on Tuesday, the Blue took on Lincoln-Sudbury Wednesday afternoon. It was hard to throw out personal bests because of the difficult practice on Tuesday, but nevertheless the boys team came out with intensity to meet a team that just could not keep up. In fact, the Blue came up with an even more impressive victory of 121-57. The Blue actually scored more than 121 points, but the margin was so great that the scores from the final relay were not even recorded. It was inspiring, to say the least.

Big performances from freshmen helped to create the large victory margin. Freshmen Dave Hill and Fiske both added victories to the Blue's record sheet, while Bryce Kaufman gave a new meaning to the word effort. In just two weeks Kaufman has improved his times tremendously, and is now contributing to the point tally with his relay team assistance and unexpected placing in the 100 Backstroke. The team will look for improving times from this young addition to the team, as well as some finishing touches to bring points to the board. Fiske also came out strong, finishing first and setting a personal best time in the 500 Freestyle with 4:49.80. He is now within 7 seconds of the school record.

Senior Carl Dietz took his first individual victory of the season in the 100 Butterfly, and will quite possibly retain his position in this event because of his improving times. Vantzelfde swam with great intensity with a time of 51.96 in the 100 freestyle, a 7-second improvement from this same week one year ago. At mid-meet, while the swimmers took a breather, Jon MacMillan '03 and Michael Rechnitz '00 went to work at 1-meter diving. Both dove outstandingly, breaking across the 200 point barrier for the first time this season. Another notable performance came from Adam Green '01, who helped one of the relay teams to a win, in addition to placing in the 100 Freestyle and bringing more points to the Blue's scoreboard.

Saturday and Wednesday's wins were among the largest margin victories the boys swimming team has ever had. The boys' effort was outstanding, and they look forward to future wins as successful as those of this past week. The team possesses great talent, and will be competition for any team in New England.

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Fiske '03 Breaks IM Record; Boys' Swimming StillUnbeaten

by Mike Rechnitz
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	**127**
NMH	**58**

The boys' swimming team had an enormous 127-58 blowout win over Northfield-Mt. Hermon Saturday . Anyone who attended saw the Blue take first in all of the twelve events as well as one of the longstanding school records broken by a freshman. It was an impressive win for Phillips with all-around strong performances.

There was a new line of swimmers to take first place in this week's 200 medley relay. With Andover's first relay team disqualified, the second team of Ben Neuwirth '01, Cameron Curtis '03, Dave Hill '03, and Carl Dietz '00, stepped it up and took a first place finish. The relay team still overtook the NMH boys by six seconds. Curtis swam back-to-back events following the relay with the 200 freestyle, and took another first place.

"It was his first time to swim the 200 freestyle this year, and he came up with a big win," remarked captain Hunter Washburn '00. Curtis took part in two other first-place finishes for the Blue, both in relay races. This kid just keeps getting faster. Neuwirth had a successful day as well with first-place finishes in the 100 butterfly and the 100 backstroke. The third event gave way to a roaring applause from the crowd, as freshman Brian Fiske broke the school record in 200 Individual Medley. With a 1:57.97, Fiske claimed tittle to what many consider the most brutal event in Prep swimming. It was not only a great time but also a time Fiske believes he can better as the year advances.

Albert So '01 grasped the 100 breast stroke again, and Nate Vantzelfde '00 swam well, taking two individual first-place finishes in the 50 an 100 freestyle races, as well as a win with the 200 freestyle relay. Diving captain Michael Rechnitz '00 took a first-place finish in the diving event with a score of 204. It is the second time Rechnitz has broken 200 points this year. Freshman John MacMillan stuck out the meet with a piercing muscle cramp in his back, and still managed to beat out the other NMH divers for second place. MacMillan took the first portion of the week off, but looks to return for Saturday's meet.

John Lo '02 had a tough start with his first relay team disqualifying, but bounced right back in the 200 freestyle relay to help take first place. Captain Washburn took a piece of the action as well, helping the 400 free relay to a victory in the closing race of the match. Two other freshmen with notable performances helped put points on the board. Bryce Kaufman and Gavin Kuangparichat swam well, and both contributed to the Blue's victory.

It may not have been the largest victory margin thus far for the Blue, but for the second consecutive meet, the boys have captured all twelve events.

The Phillips boys continue to show their depth in events and class. Conditioning hard and pushing themselves for the difficult weeks to come, the boys prepare for meets against Hopkins, Suffield and, of course, Exeter.

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Boys' Swimming Sinks Deerfield; Takes Ten of Twelve Total Events

by Michael Rechnitz
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	135
Deerfield	45

Two more wins from this week's meets have been added to the boys' swim team's undefeated record. With wins over Deerfield and the N.E. Barracudas, the Blue continues to trounce its opponents in New England.

"The boys are still training hard and it is showing as we've dominated every other team this year," remarked captain Hunter Washburn '00.

The Phillips boys opened on Saturday with their first away meet of the season against Deerfield Academy. It was another strong victory for the Blue as it overtook their Deerfield opponents by 90 points. Capturing ten of the twelve events, and sweeping the top three spots in five events, the boys pulled off their largest victory of the season. Coach Scott Hoenig was surprised to see some of the more quiet swimmers on the team perform at their best and help put points on the board.

"There were impressive appearances by all of the swimmers, especially on the younger half of the team,!" he exclaimed.

The boys opened impressively in the 200 Medal Relay, sweeping the first three spots, and crediting the boys' first 14 points. It is not surprising that freshman Brian Fiske had a piece of that first race, claming victory with senior Nat Moger, Ben Neuwirth '02, and the ever-improving Cameron Curtis '03. Curtis and Fiske also claimed victory in the 400 Free Relay, while Fiske took two individual wins in the 200 IM and the 100 Backstroke. Albert So '01 was likewise a part of that 400 Free Relay win, and also took firsts in the 200 Freestyle and the 100 Butterfly. So had his fastest Butterfly swim this season with a 56.17. Michael Rechnitz '00 and Jon MacMillan '03 were at work again on the diving board, grabbing the second and third places, respectively, in the boys' diving event.

Nate Vantzelfde '00 also had a personal best in his 50 Freestyle, winning with a 22.24. The 50 Freestyle was another of the swept events for the Blue, with Adam Green '01 taking third, and Moger having a season best as well, and tying Vantzelfde with a 22.24. This is the third time this season that the two have taken first and second, or first and first, with identical times in the 50 Freestyle. The boys also swept the 100 breaststroke with freshman Dave Hill beating out John Lo '02 by .25 seconds. Daniel Noll '01 snagged the third position, making his first solid mark on the scoreboard this year. Captain Washburn swam solidly in his trademark 500 Freestyle, and clinched the second place position. It was the strongest win of the season thus far, and the boys eagerly awaited the Barracudas on Wednesday.

In preparation for the fast-approaching Interscholastic competition, Hoenig did not let the Boys slack is Monday or Tuesday's practices. Considering their harsh but effective training schedule, the boys fared well on Wednesday against the N.E. Barracudas. The boys kept on their fantastic winning streak, capturing nine of the twelve events, and were disqualified in one.

A combination of hard training, mediocre opponents, and midterm exams took its toll on the Blue in Wednesday's meet. Still crushing their opponents, the boys simply won with no extraordinary victories, with the exception of freshman Dave Hill, who set a personal best in the 100 Breaststroke. "It was almost nice," remarked Washborn. "This was like a day off. Now we can come out rested and riled against Hopkins on Saturday."

Hopkins will prove to be one of the boys' most difficult meets. They continue to train hard, and with the exception of Wednesday's meet they keep getting faster and scoring higher.

"It will be a test," says Hoenig, "But we're fast, and always getting faster." Saturday's competition, at the Hopkins pool in New Haven, Connecticut, will be the Blue's second away meet of the season.

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Boys' Swimming Captain Hunter Washburn '00 took second place in Wednesday's 500 Freestyle race-which Andover swept- against Worcester

Boys' Swimming Glides on to 7-0; Torpedoes Hopkins and Worcester

by Mike Rechnitz
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	110
Hopkins	73

Andover	123
Worcester	60

The Phillips boys added two more victories this week to their undefeated chart. The Big Blue put forth its toughest line-up in anticipation of close competition with a traditional swimming rival.The boys challenged Hopkins on Saturday in their toughest match of the season, and emerged with a 110-73 victory. Strong second relay teams added significant points to the board, helping to put away a very strong Hopkins team. As well, the Blue claimed victory over Worcester on Wednesday, bringing the team to a season record of 7-0.

In the Hopkins meet, the boys captured two relays and four individual first places. Hopkins came out looking strong in the first relay, beating out the Phillips undefeated first team, and breaking a school record in the process. But the Blue returned the effort just as quickly, claiming the first and third places in the 200 Freestyle event. It came as no surprise that freshman Brian Fiske came out strong, taking the 500 Freestyle by a full three seconds. Fiske actually finished five seconds over the nearest Hopkins swimmer, with Albert So '01 grabbing the second place finish. Seniors Nate Vantzelfde and Nat Moger also finished one-two in the Fifty Freestyle. Vantzelfede and Moger won the 100 Freestyle event as well, placing two-three. Losing the fifth event to Hopkins, the Blue left the first half of the meet trailing by nine points.

Fortunately, coach Hoenig had saved strength for the second half of the meet and Phillips jumped back ahead by winning three of the next four events. So brought the team back to life capturing the 100 Butterfly with his season best of 55.50. Ben Neuwirth '01 clinched the second place spot also setting his season best in the Fly event. Fiske came right back off the block with another win in the 500 Freestyle. Fiske gave the Blue yet another season best with his time of 4:47.55. This freshman is now just 5 seconds away from the school record, and shaving those seconds would put him on the record board for the second time this season. Phillips actually swept the event, with captain Hunter Washburn grabbing the second place spot, and Brad Seymour '00 the third.

The relay teams sealed the victory for the boys in the closing events. A team of Lo '02, Vantzelfde, Green '01, and Moger destroyed the Hopkins 200 Free Relay team by five seconds, and then again two events later. A team of Vantzelfde, Cameron Curtis '03, So, and Fiske shocked the Hopkins 400 Free Relay team, winning with an eleven second cushion. With Carl Dietz '00, Michael Muller '02, Hunter Washburn '00, and Neuwirth grabbing the third place spot, the Phillips boys had defeated their most difficult opponent of the season.

Less difficult meets have fallen on the past few Wednesdays, as the boys cruised to a seemingly effortless win

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SUFFIELD, WILLISTON NEXT

Looks Weeks Ahead to Meet with Perennial Power Exeter

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over Worcester. It was the Blue's last home meet of the season, and the last home swimming event for the seniors. Wasburn, Rechnitz, Moger, Vantzelfde, Dietz, and Seymour were the six seniors to compete in their last home event at Andover. The boys dominated their Worcester opponents, winning by an impressive 123-60 score. Fiske won, naturally, and huge points were thrown on the board by the younger swimmers. Fiske, Cashman, Curtis, Kaufman, Macmillan, and Hill all fished top-three in different events, letting their difficult training schedule pay off.

Only two meets remain for The Phillips team. On Saturday, the boys face Suffield and Williston in a tri-meet, leaving the toughest for last with Exeter on the 23rd. The boys continue to train hard, and look to be fit and confident for upcoming Interscholastic Competition.

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Boys' Swimming Drifts Toward Interschols

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Jon Lo '02, pictured here swimming the butterfly, also competed on the first-place 200 freestyle relay tea

Boys' Swimming Continues Spectacular Winning Season

by Mike Rechnitz
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	54
Suffield	39

Andover	55
Williston	37

The boys swimming team had its first and only tri-meet of the season on Saturday against Suffield Academy and Williston, picking up two more wins to add to its undefeated record. The wins boosted the boys' record to a remarkable 10-0.

"Great performances came in almost every event," remarked captain Hunter Wasburn, "just one more meet, and we'll be undefeated for the season."

The entry limitation of a tri-meet is a disadvantage for teams with a great deal of depth such as Andover. This drawback was evident in the competition against Suffield, a team with a very strong front line. As well, an unusual scoring system is employed in dual meets, which hurt the productiveness of third place finishes.

It is unusual for the Phillips boys to drop the opening 200 Medley Relay event. A relay team of Brian Fiske '03, Cameron Curtis '03, Jon Lo '02, and Nat Moger '00 drew its second best time of the season, but dropped the event by under one second to a fast Suffield relay team.

Once again, the boys' depth came through with the second team of Ben Neuwirth '02, David Hill '03, Albert So '01, and Adam Green '01 grabbing the third place spot and putting valuable spots on the board. Washburn added to the scoreboard with his finish in the 200 Freestyle, and jump started the team in the 200 IM. With first and third place finishes by Fiske and So, the boys jumped right back into the meet. Fiske reset the school record he'd previously broken in the event with a time of 1:57.15.

Seniors Moger and Nate Vantzelfde went head to head once again in the 50 Freestyle, and kept the momentum going by sweeping the event. Moger swam to a season best of 22.17. Michael Rechnitz '00 came out strong in diving, setting his personal high score of 236. It is the highest a Phillips diver has scored in eight years. Andover still trailed after the diving event 18-20.

Andover maintained its composure throughout the second half of the meet, picking up the pace with second and third place finishes in the 100 Fly by So and Lo, respectively. Vantzelfde and Moger matched these results in the 100 Free. First and third place performances by Fiske and Washburn in the 500 Free brought the Blue to within one point of first place Suffield.

The 200 Free Relay proved to be the crucial event which gave Andover the lead. A team of Lo, Green, Vantzelfde and Moger cruised into the first place spot with a season best time of 1:30.16. The second team of Carl Dietz '00, Dan Noll '01, Brad Seymour '00, and Hill finished in third spot.

A sweep of the 100 Backstroke by Neuwirth and Curtis, furthered Andover's lead over Suffield and Williston. An impressive second and third place finish by Hill and Noll, both with personal best times in the 100 Breaststroke, secured the lead going into the final relay. Suffield ran out of steam in the final 400 Freestyle Relay and allowed Andover to take advantage of first and second place. After finding the final few points it was looking for, Andover won 54-39 over Suffield and 55-37 over Williston.

The boys have a week and a half until their final meet against Phillips Exeter.

"I think we have them scared," was the opinion of Nat Moger. Exeter will prove to be the biggest challenge of the boys' season, and the only blockade standing in front of a perfect season.

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SPORT: SWIMMING - GIRLS

YEAR: 1999-2000

CAPTAIN: Sophie Cowan
HOME ADDRESS:

MANAGER: Sean Holland & Michael Jaffe
HOME ADDRESS:

COACH: Paul Murphy
ASSISTANT COACHES: Ginger Faye

SEASON RECORD

WON_____ LOST_____ TIED_____

LETTER WINNERS

Benn, Anneka
Blitzer, Margaret
Cowan, Sophie
Demers, Sarah
Dybwad, Katherine
Ferranti, Sarah
Foster, Ashley
Freas, Sydney
Heilweil, Jessica
Larson, Katherine
Lasater, Elizabeth
Mistretta, Laura
Murphy, Devin
Nickerson, Lauren
O'Connor, Kerryn
Ramsey, Megan
Samson, Carleigh
Scanlon, Janis
Spink, Helen
Thornton, Emily
Walker, Kimberly
Zicherman, Tracey

GIRLS' SWIMMING

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Sat. Jan. 8, 2000	(H)	Choate	not recorded	
Sat. Jan. 15, 2000	(H)	Loomis Chaffee	not recorded	
Wed. Jan. 19, 2000	(H)	Lincoln Sudbury	not recorded	
Sat. Jan. 22, 2000	(H)	N.M.H.	122	111
Sat. Jan. 29, 2000	(A)	Deerfield	not recorded	
Wed. Feb. 2, 2000	(H)	Barracudas/New Wave	not recorded	
Sat. Feb. 5, 2000	(A)	Hopkins	114	72
Wed. Feb. 9, 2000	(H)	Worcester	not recorded	
Sat. Feb. 12, 2000	(A)	Suffield/Williston (AND '02)	not recorded	
Wed. FXb. 23, 2000	(A)	Exeter	not recorded	

Girls' Swimming Blows Choate Out of the Water

by Ashley Foster
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	**132**
Choate	**54**

Last Saturday afternoon the girls' varsity swim team had its opening game against Choate Rosemary Hall. The girls had a phenomenal first meet, crushing Choate by a final score of 132-54.

Andover took charge at the start of the first race. The team of Sarah Ferranti '01, Sarah Demers '03, Meg Blitzer '01, and Sidney Freas '01 captured a fist place finish in the 200 medley relay with a time of 1:58.26, less than a second away from the record set in 1998. The team also brought home a third place in this same race.

Andover continued to dominate the meet in the 200 freestyle. Kerryn O'Connor '01 placed first, followed by Devon Murphy '01 in second, and Sophie Cowan '01 in fourth. The Big Blue continued with phenomenal strength in the 200 individual medley. Demers took first with a time of 2:18.10, followed by Blitzer only seconds behind. The next event was the 50 freestyle, the fastest race of the day. Freas, who holds three records in this event, placed first with a time of 24.84.

As the swimmers took a break, it was the divers' chance to show their strength. Liz Lasater '01 took second with 167.3 points, Janis Scanlon '03 took third, and Katherine Dybwad '02, took fourth.

Going into the second half of the meet, Andover was already showing strength and determination. The Blue started things out with a bang, sweeping the 100 butterfly. Megan Ramsey '00 took first with a time of 1:02.28, Blitzer took second, and Ferranti third. The meet continued with the 100 freestyle. Andover captured another first place with Freas swimming a time of 54.92, and a second with Murphy swimming a time of 56.41. With the 500 freestyle up next it was Andover's time to show that it wasn't just a sprinting team. And the Blue did just that with a first and second place finish by O'Connor and Cowan.

With a lead of 86-40 and four events left in the day, Andover was in a comfortable position but not ready to put down its guard. The girls swept the 200 freestyle relay with a first-place time of 1:45.23. They continued on, sweeping the 100 backstroke. AnnekaBenn '02 had the winning time of 1:04.57, followed closely by Ferranti and Ramsey. The 100 breaststroke was the final individual event of the day. Demers took first with the time of 1:11.68, only 0.51 seconds of the record last set in 1981. Kimberly Walker followed close behind. With the final event of the day, the 400 Freestyle relay, Andover closed impressively. The girls took first place, much like they did in every event that day, finishing with a time of 3:52.64.

Although the team graduated five seniors, it gained many new active and vital parts. With the addition of four juniors, two lowers and one PG, the team has depth and versatility that it will use to its advantage throughout the season. From the result of last Saturday, and a great coaching staff of Paul Murphy, Ginger Fay, and Belinda Wolf, it promises to be an exciting and memorable season.

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Girls' Swimming Stays Unbeaten With Blowout Victories Over Loomis and Lincoln-Sudbury

by Ashley Foster
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Andover	111
Loomis-Chaffee	75
Andover	111
Lincoln-Sudbury	75

In the past week the girls' swim team captured two wins over Loomis-Chaffee and Lincon-Sudbury. Both meets were filled with exciting races, personal bests, and some new records.

In last Saturday's meet against Loomis-Chaffee, the Andover girls got things started with a record-breaking 200 Medley Relay. The team of Sydney Freas '01, Sarah Demers '03, Kerryn O'Connor '01, and Devin Murphy '01, finished with a time of 1:54.84. Andover was also able to take a third place finish in that same event. In the 200 Freestyle Meghan Ramsey '00 was touched out by a Loomis girl, but held onto a second place with Demers not far behind. The Big Blue took charge in the 200 Individual Medley with a first place finish from Freas and second by Anneka Benn '02. The girls were able to squeeze out one more first place finish before the diving. Murphy won in the 50 Freestyle with a time of 26.03.

With the swimmers taking a break, the divers got ready to go. The girls this year have shown a lot of strength, and determination. Liz Lasater '01 demonstrated this beautifully in her second-place finish with a point total of 163.65. Janis Scanlon '03 and Katie Dybwad '02 followed in fourth and fifth place with totals of 155 and 148.5, respectively.

Swimming returned from the break with first and second place finishes in the 100 Butterfly. Ramsey swam a 1:01.67, and Ferranti had a 1:04.85. Continuing on, Blitzer sprinted an amazing 100 Freestyle to finish first.

In the longest race of the day, the 500 Freestyle, the girls were able to place second, third, and fourth. All three teams were fairly close together in times, Sophie Cowan '01 leading with a time of 5:25.48. In contrast to the long 500, the quick 200 Free Relay was up next. The team of O'Connor, Tracy Zicherman '03, Ramsey, and Blitzer led the way, followed by Ashely Foster '01, Helen Spink '02, Ferranti, and Benn in second. Andover dominated yet another race in the 100 Backstroke with a first and second place finish by Freas and Nickerson.

The next event, the 100 Breast Stroke, was probably the most exciting of the day. Sarah Demers finished first with a time of 1:10.38, a new school record. The previous record had existed since 1981. To finish off the day on the right note, Andover took first in the 400 Freestyle relay, with a time of 3:57.78. It was another great victory with the final score of 111-75.

The girls' victorious run continued as they took on Lincon-Sudbury Wednesday. The meet began with the team of Ramsey, Demers, Freas, and O'Connor taking first in the 200 Medley. Blitzer, Murphy, and Cowan went on to sweep the 200 Freestyle, the winning time being 2:19.52. Maintaining incredible stamina, Demers, Benn, and Nickerson swept the 200 Medley. In the sprint of the day, Freas took first in the 50 Freestyle with a time of 24.89. This left the score at 47-15 before the diving.

Having a great day, Lasater took first in the diving with a point total of 173.51, her best score thus far in the season. She was followed closely by Scanlon, in third, and Dybwad, in fourth.

The swimming started up again with O'Connor and Ferranti taking first and second in the 100 Butterfly. Andover took first and second once again in the 100 Freestyle. Freas swam the winning time of 55.27, followed by Murphy in second.

The 500 was another great race to see, with Ramsey taking first in her debut at this event. Her final time was 5:24.46. The girls' relays showed amazing power in the 200 Freestyle relay, taking first and second. The 100 Backstroke was next, with Ferranti finishing in the winning time of 1:05.02, followed by Nickerson in second.

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The girls' swim team is one of this winter's premiere squads, boasting an undefeated record in which no opponent has come within 50 points of the Big Blue

Girls' Swimming Continues to Trounce Foes; Outswims NMH Hoggers by 51-Point Margin

by Ashley Foster
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	**112**
NMH	**61**

Last Saturday, the Andover girls' swim team continued its victorious run, trampling the Northfield-Mount Hermon Hoggers by a final score of 112-61.

The amazing show of strength, swept four of the day's events and won every swimming event of the day.

In the first event of the day, the two hundred medley relay, Andover took first, second, and third in its first sweep of the day. The team of Sarah Ferranti '01, Anneka Benn '02, Sarah Demers '03, and Sydney Freas '01 came in first in a winning time of 1:58.82. Continuing on, Meg Blitzer '01 and Captain Sophie Cowan '01 took first and second in the two hundred freestyle.

Blitzer's winning time was 2:00.98. The winning continued with the second sweep of the day in the two hundred individual medley.

Devin Murphy '01 had the winning time of 2:19.88, followed closely by Benn and Kate Larson '00, in her debut for the event this year.

In the sprint, the fifty freestyle, the Andover girls took home another first and second. Kerryn O'Connor '01 won in her debut fifty for the season with an impressive time of 26.18. Tracey Zicherman '03 followed with a time of 26.45.

In an impressive showing, the divers were able to grab second and fourth. Liz Lasater '01 took second place with a point total of 178.8, beating her previous high score for the season. Janis Scanlon '03 took fourth with 167.35 points.

At the end of the diving competition, Andover led by an impressive score of 54-23. Continuing on, Megan Ramsey '00 and Demers had two of the best races of the day in the one hundred butterfly. Ramsey took first in 1:01.54 and Demers took second in 1:01.78, both personal bests.

In the next event, the one hundred freestyle, Blitzer placed first in a time of 56.45, followed by Kim Walker '03 in second. In another highlight of the day, the girls swept their fourth event, the five hundred freestyle. O'Connor placed first in a time of 5:25.59, followed by Cowan and then Freas.

NMH's top swimmer in this event did not finish until thirty seconds after Freas. Collectively, the girls were able to grab another first place finish in the two hundred freestyle relay in 1:44.75. They were also able to take third in that same event.

In the fourth sweep of the day, the one hundred breaststroke, Demers took first in a time of 1:10.96. Following closely behind were Walker and Ashley Foster '01.

With Andover so far ahead at this point, the last event, the four hundred freestyle relay was swum as an exhibition, meaning that it would be swum for time and no points would be awarded.

Even so, Andover came out on top by a final score of 112-61. The team's biggest meets are still yet to come this season, as it will travel to Deerfield this Saturday and Exeter later in February.

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GIRLS' SWIMMING DROWNS ITS LAST TWO OPPONENTS

RECORD IMPROVES TO 6-0

This past week, the Andover girls' swim team captured two more victories against Deerfield and the New England Barracudas, improving its record to 6-0.

In last Saturday's meet against Deerfield, the Andover girls dominated, winning by a final score of 119-67. Getting things started was the team of Sarah Ferranti '01, Megan Ramsey '00, Sarah Demers '03, and Devin Murphy '01, which took first in the medley relay with a time of 1:53.91. Next, in the neck-and-neck race of the 200 freestyle, Kerryn O'Connor '01 took first place with a season-best time of 1:01.00 with Meg Blitzer '01 only .2 seconds behind. Demers also had a season best in the 200 individual medley, placing first. Anneka Benn '02 swam a solid race, finishing just behind in third. Murphy took charge in the 50 freestyle, stepping up and taking first with a time of 26.02, leaving the score at 40-22 before the diving.

The Deerfield divers were the toughest the girls had seen thus far in the season. Liz Lasater '01 and Janis Scanlon '03 stepped up to the challenge and claimed well-deserved third and fourth place finishes.

As the swimming started again, Ramsey had an amazing 100 butterfly, finishing first with a season-best time of 1:01.28. In an exciting 100 freestyle, Blitzer touched out the Deerfield girl to capture another first place, finishing in 55.61. Only a second later, Benn came in with a third place finish, leaving the score at 65-44 before the 500 freestyle.

In the 500, Captain Sophie Cowan '01 had a great swim, taking first place

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Girls Preserve Winning Ways Without Star Swimmer Freas

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with a time of 5:33.4, nearly twenty seconds before the second place finisher. In yet another of the day's close races, the 200 freestyle relay team of Murphy, O'Connor, Demers, and Blitzer slipped in front of Deerfield to hold onto first place with a final time of 1:45.04. In the 100 backstroke, Deerfield showed some amazing power with its top girl finishing first, but it lacked the depth of the Andover team. With Ferranti, Nickerson, and Larson taking second, third, and fourth, Andover took the event with personal bests by Ferranti and Larson. In the last individual event of the day, the Andover girls pulled off a 1-2 finish, led by Demers, who posted a winning time of 1:10.69 and was followed closely by Kim Walker '03. Finishing off the meet, Andover took both first and second in the 400 freestyle relay to bring the final score to 119-67.

Next on the list of victims was the New England Barracudas. The starting medley team of Sydney Freas '01, Demers, Ramsey, and Murphy came out strong, but fell just short of the speedy team from the Barracudas. Hoping to make up for the close loss in the medley, Blitzer shot through the water to an easy victory in the 200 freestyle. Cowan added to the point total by taking third in the event. A strong showing in the 200 individual medley by the Barracudas limited the Andover girls to a third place finish. The 50 freestyle came next, with Freas cruising to first place in a time of 24.62. Ramsey and Freas took to the water in the 100 butterfly, taking apart

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by Ashley Foster and David Auld
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Andover	119
Deerfield	67

Andover	104
Barracoudas	63

the Barracudas and swimming to first and second respectively. Blitzer and Murphy took to the blocks for the 100 freestyle. Finishing almost side by side, the two girls took second and third to add seven points to the tally for Andover. With only Andover girls lining up for the 500 freestyle, O'Connor still managed to post an impressive time of 5:28.07, leading the Andover girls to the finish line. With Andover on the brink of clinching victory, the Barracudas had to capture the 200 freestyle relay to stay in the meet. Andover put out two very strong teams composed of Murphy, Blitzer, O'Connor, and Freas and Demers, Walker, Ashley Foster '01, and Ramsey. Each team took to the water fast, sensing the urgency to put the meet away. Both Andover teams finished before the first Barracuda team, giving Andover a sizable lead and an almost-guaranteed victory in the meet. The Barracudas were not as eager to give up, and tried to gain back points in the 100 backstroke. Andover sent out Ferranti, Benn, and Nickerson to end all hopes for the Barracudas. Sweeping the middle positions, the girls distanced themselves from any reach of the Barracudas. The 100 breaststroke was all Andover as Demers and Walker went out and took first and second, respectively. The last event of the day was the 400 freestyle relay. Andover had hopes of putting the icing on the cake with the crowning event of the evening, but the Barracudas had other plans. Despite a valiant effort by the Barracudas, Andover's team of Murphy, Ramsey, O'Connor, and Blitzer finished them off with only a small fight. Andover won the day decisively with a 104-63 victory.

N. Vantzelfde/ *For The Phi*

Freshman swimmer Sarah Demers has helped the girls' swimming team to an undefeated season while already breaking records during her young Andove career.

Girls' Swimming Enjoys Successes

Photo / A. Tucker

Girls' Swimming

The girls managed to remain unbeaten this week by defeating Worcester and a previously-undefeated Hopkins squad. Megan Ramsey '00 highlighted the week by breaking the school record in the 100-butterfly. *-pg. 10*

Girls' Swimming Throws Hopkins, Worcester Overboard; Ramsey '00 Sets 100-Fly Record

by A. Foster and C. Samson
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITERS

Andover	114
Hopkins	72

Andover	125
Worcester	58

In the past week the girls' swimming team defeated both Hopkins and Worcester Academy, bringing its undefeated record to 8-0. With numerous first place finishes and a new school record of 1:00.67 in the 100 fly set by Megan Ramsey '00, the girls have continued their amazing season.

After traveling three hours to New Haven to take on the undefeated Hopkins team, the girls emerged with a 114-72 victory. Starting the day off with the 200 medley relay, the team of Sydney Freas '01, Sarah Demers '03, Meg Blitzer '01, and Devin Murphy '01 finished a close race against Hopkins' first seeded relay. Not far behind, Andover's second relay team held on to a strong third place. Kerryn O'Connor '01 took home first place in the 200 freestyle with a winning time of 2:00.32. Ramsey followed in third place, just under two seconds behind. Facing Hopkins' strength and depth in the 200 individual medley, Anneka Benn '02 emerged with a second place finish in a time of 2:21.43. In the high-speed 50 freestyle, Freas sprinted to a first place finish with a time of 24.97. Blitzer followed in third with a time of 25.84.

The Andover Divers had a terrific day as well with a 1-2-3 sweep by Janis Scanlon '03, Liz Lasater '01, and Katie Dybwad '02. Scanlon totaled 172 points for the day.

When the swimming started up again with the 100 butterfly, Demers continued Andover's dominance, placing first with a time of 1:01.77. Following Demers was O'Connor in third with a time of 1:03.16. Dominating in the 100 freestyle, Freas took home yet another first with a time of 55.11. Touched out by a mere second. Blitzer held on to third with a strong time of 56.43.

In the longest race of the day, the 500 freestyle, Ramsey stepped up to the challenge, finishing first with a time of 5:21.03, and touching out Hopkins by nearly a second. Andover's relay squad of Murphy, Benn, Blitzer, and O'Connor placed first in the 200 freestyle relay with a time of 1:44.86, while the second relay team was just touched and finished third. In the 100 backstroke, Hopkins took first place with a commendable 1:01.00 finish. Andover held on to second place with a 1:04.44 finish by Sarah Ferranti '01. The 100 breaststroke proved to one of the strongest swims of the day with Andover taking first and second. Demers' time of 1:10.45 placed first, closely followed by Benn in 1:13.04. In the last event of the day, the 400 freestyle relay, Andover was looking for the win. Nearly six seconds ahead of the second place Hopkins, the team of Ramsey, O'Connor, Murphy, and Freas finished first with a time of 3:49.63, bringing the meet's final score to 114-72.

Four days later the girls again were ready to swim, facing Worcester Academy in their last home meet. Though tired and worn out, the Andover girls gave it their all and won the meet by a score of 125-58. In the first event of the day, the 200-medley relay, the team of Freas, Demers, Ramsey, and Murphy got things rolling with a first place time of 1:57.67. Andover's second relay team also had a strong finish, placing third. O'Connor and Sophie Cowan '01 both swam terrific races, capturing first and second place in the 200 freestyle, with times of 2:01.84 and 2:04.55, respectively. Andover continued its dominance in the meet, with another 1-2 finish in the 200 individual medley. Demers finished first with a time of 2:20.44, followed closely by Blitzer in of 2:22.79. Just touched out by Worcester's first place finisher, Murphy captured a second place in the 50 freestyle with a time of 26.57. Lauren Nickerson '02 also swam a strong race, claiming third place.

Although Worcester Academy does not have a diving team, the Andover divers used this time to practice diving skills. Their performance was very impressive; Scanlon won the event with an incredible score of 192.00, followed closely by Lasater, who scored 183.43.

After the diving, the meet picked up with an exciting 100 butterfly won by Ramsey, who set the school record with a time of 1:00.67. Ferranti captured second place, beating out Worcester with a time of 1:06.31. In the 100 freestyle, Blitzer took home first place with a time of 58.58, barely beating out Worcester's second place swimmer. Only two Andover swimmers stood up to the challenge of the 500 freestyle, which was won by Worcester in a great race. Murphy followed close behind, picking up second place in 5:36.36, and Nickerson placed third with a time of 5:47.22.

In the 200 freestyle relay, Andover once again showed its domination, with the team of O'Connor, Blitzer, Murphy, and Freas placing first with a time of 1:45.78, followed closely by the team of Demers, Cowan, Kim Walker '03, and Tracey Zicherman '03. Ferranti once again had an excellent showing in the 100 backstroke, cruising in to first place with a time of 1:06.25. In her debut swim of the 100

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breastroke, Freas stole first with a time of 1:15.26, followed closely by Jess Heilweil '01, who finished second with a time of 1:16.80. As the last event, the 400 freestyle relay, arrived, Andover was looking to increase its lead over Worcester Academy. Worcester beat Andover out for first place in a close race, but the Andover relay teams finished 2-3. The team of O'Connor, Blitzer, Ramsey, Freas swam to a strong second place finish in 3:55.48.

Although many of the Andover swimmers felt overwhelmed and exhausted, they pulled it together last Wednesday meet and were able to beat Worcester Academy by a final score of 125-58.

"The middle of the winter is always a tough time of year and we've been working especially hard. But it should pay off when it comes time for Interschols," commented an optimistic Anneka Benn. The girls' swim team will face both Lincoln-Sudbury and Suffield in this Saturday's upcoming meet. The squad has been swimming remarkably well so far and is excited to try to prolong its undefeated season."

N. Vantzelfde for *The Phillipian*

Diver Janis Scanlon '03 took first place in all of the past week's diving events

GIRLS' SWIMMING LEAVES WEAK FOES IN WAKE

by Devin Murphy and Sarah Ferranti
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITERS

Andover	**60**
Williston	**26**

Andover	**70**
Suffield	**16**

Decked out in their brand-new Andover Swimming and Diving polo shirts, the Girl's swim team competed in a tri-meet this past Saturday in Suffield CT. The Blue continued it's undefeated season, easily beating Williston and Suffield 60-26 and 70-16 respectively

The meet got off to a blazing start: the 200 medley relay team of Syd Freas '01, Sarah Demers '03, Kerryn O'Connor '01, and Devin Murphy '01 took first place, and the other Andover relay team came in second. Andover's domination continued as Meg Blitzer '01 blitzed the field in the 200 Freestyle and Megan Ramsey '00, this weeks Athlete of the Week, took second by several body lengths ahead of the rest of the contenders. Sarah Demers '03 pulled off a strong second place finish in 100 Breastroke, reaching her fastest time of the season, 2:16.34.

Continuing her three year undefeated run in the 50 Freestyle, Upper Syd Freas finished first with O'Connor in close second.

While the swimmers took a break, Andover divers Liz Lasater '01 and Janis Scanlon '03 dove extremely well, despite the absence of Coach Belinda Wolf.

The swimmers got back in the water to finish the second half of the meet. The 100 Butterfly record was smashed as Ramsey achieved a career best, breaking the record she had set only 4 days earlier. The 100 Freestyle was concluded with an Andover victory. Freas '01 once again cruised to a first place finish, with Sophie Cowan '01 coming in close behind. O'Connor ruled the 500, beating the rest of the field by well over 10 seconds, while Lower Helen Spink placed a strong third in her debut in the 20 length event.

The girls in blue raced well in the 200 Freestyle relay, placing 2nd and 3rd, and Anneka Benn '02 sealed victory in the 100 Backstroke. Sarah Ferranti '01, despite making a season low, snagged a second place finish. In the last individual race of the day, Demers and Kim Walker '03 smoothly glided into 2nd and 3rd place respectively. Finally, saving the best for last, Andover's 400 Freestyle relay team (Murphy, Ramsey, Cowan, and Blitzer) broke the Suffield pool record by 2 seconds with 3:46.65, its lowest time this season.

Up next is PA's stiffest competition of the season, the Girls in Red. They travel to Exeter next Wednesday in hopes of avenging last year's 2-point loss.

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4 Records Shattered as Girls Swimming Remains Perfect

by Ashley Foster & Sophie Cowan
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITERS

Exeter	**88**
Andover	**98**

Picking up four new school records along the way, the undefeated PA Girls Swim Team captured its final victory of the regular season last Wednesday against archrival Exeter. With a final score of 98-88, the team advanced to a final record of 11-0.

The relay team of by Sydney Freas '01, Sarah Demers '03, Megan Ramsey '00, and Kerryn O'Connor '01 established a new school record in the 200 Medley Relay.

Ramsey set a new school record in the 100 Butterfly, and Demers bested her own record in the 100 Breaststroke. As if statisticians were not erasing and rewriting their history books enough already, the team of O'Connor, Devin Murphy '01, Meg Blitzer '01, and Freas rewrote the two-year old Andover-Exeter record in the 400 Freestyle Relay.

The meet's first event was the 200 Medley Relay. Andover finished first with a new school record of 1:54.49. For her own part, Tracey Zicherman '03 anchored the "B" relay with an amazing finish, touching out Exeter and holding onto third.

The 200 Freestyle followed and brought Andover's lead to 18-12, with Blitzer and Murphy finishing second and third respectively. In a tight 200 Individual Medley, Demers held onto second, finishing less than a second behind the first place Exeter swimmer. Anneka Benn '02 placed forth in the medley with a season best of 2:15.4. In the sprint of the day, the 50 Freestyle, O'Connor stepped up to the challenge and took first in an event that she does not usually swim with a time of 25.68. Zicherman followed close behind as she managed to hang onto fourth place. Right before the diving, the score stood at 32-30, with Andover leading.

With one diver injured prior to the start of the meet, Janis Scanlon '03 and Liz Lasater '01 pulled through to take third and fifth place, but left Andover four points behind in the meet.

After a short warm-up, the swimming resumed with the 100 Butterfly. Ramsey rewrote her own school record with a blistering time of 1:00.46, while Blitzer took third in the same event with a time of 1:01.76. Suddenly, Andover's lady swimmers found themselves within two points of their Exeter opponents. The winning streak continued with the dominating one-two finish of Freas and Murphy in the 100 Freestyle, a crucial win that put Andover up by four.

In the 500 Freestyle, O'Connor and Sophie Cowan '01 grabbed second and third places, and Andover clutched its small lead going into the 200 Freestyle Relay. Finishing with a time of 1:43.24, the team of Blitzer, Ramsey, Zicherman and Murphy was able to take second in a close race with two very strong Exeter teams. Exeter had the upper hand, 72-68.

In a much-needed first place 1:02.35 finish, Freas hit her stride for a phenomenal swim in the 100 Backstroke, while Benn took fourth not far behind. In the final individual event of the day, the 100 Breaststroke, Andover needed to take first and at least third and fourth place to secure a win – although the outcome also depended in part on a first or second place in the 400 Freestyle Relay.

In dramatic fashion, Demers raced into first place, re-setting her school record with a time of 1:09.81, and, for full domination of the race, Kim Walker '03 and Jess Heilweil '01 snagged third and forth respectively.

The day finally came down to the 400 Freestyle Relay, which sealed the meet in Andover's favor. The team of O'Connor, Murphy, Blitzer, and Freas stayed ahead of their rivals to bring home not only the win for the event, but the win for the meet. They earned a final time of 3:43.03, also a new Andover/Exeter record.

Wednesday afternoon, the girls in blue wrapped up a nearly flawless 11-0 season. With a perfect ending to a per-

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Swimming Leaves Exeter in Wak

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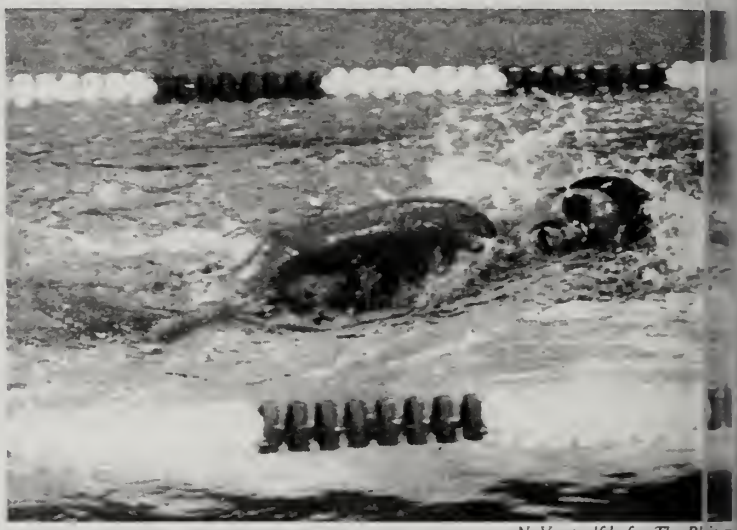
fect meet, Andover celebrated by throwing fully-clothed coaches Paul Murphy and Ginger Fay into the pool.

The girls now enter the final week and a half of their season after over three months of intense training and competition. Resting themselves for Interschols, set to take place on Saturday at Deerfield Academy, Andover enters as a top contender, hoping to take home not only an undefeated season, but also a New England Championship Title.

If the team preserves its winning streak, the girl swimmers will have allowed only one loss in the past three years. Captain Cowan commented on the upcoming championships optimistically, sayng that she "is confidant that with our depth and diverse talent, we are sure to emerge victoriously."



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Sydney Freas '01 sees the anchor leg of the record-setting 400 Free yle relay team, sealing an Andover victory over Exeter in the water.

SPORT: TRACK - BOYS

YEAR: 1999-2000

CAPTAIN: Sean Scott
HOME ADDRESS:

MANAGER: Awilda Irizarry
HOME ADDRESS:

COACH: Richard Collins
ASSISTANT COACHES:

SEASON RECORD

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LETTER WINNERS

Arensberg, William
Auld, David
Bass, Derrick
Bitz, Anthony
Bradshaw, Julius
Bush-Brown, David
Chan, William
Chischportich, Stephan
Felch, Dean
Ginsberg, Alan
Grant, Michael
Harris, Jordan
Huang, Melvin
Judson, Jonathan
Jutras, Theodore
Kehlenbeck, Alexander
Lazarus, Eli
McDonald, Bronson
McKinnon, Andrew
Menocal, Luis
O'Donoghue, Geoffrey
Preman, Kyle
Rodriguez, Joshua
Scott, Sean
Sullivan, Danforth
Sykes, Emerson
Thompson, David
Winston, Brandon
Winston, Braxton

BOYS' TRACK			PA	OPP
Sat. Jan. 8, 2000	(A)	Dartmouth Relays	not recorded	
Sat. Jan. 15, 2000	(A)	Yale Invitational	not recorded	
Wed. Jan. 19, 2000	(H)	Haverhill Tewksbury	63	39 Tewks.
				16 Haver.
Wed. Jan. 26, 2000	(H)	Masconomet/Lynnfield	71	37 Masco.
				10 Lynn.
Wed. Feb. 2, 2000	(H)	Andover/Central	68	27 AHS
			56	40 CCHS
Sat. Feb. 5, 2000	(A)	Wheaton INvitational	not recorded	
Wed. Feb. 16, 2000	(H)	Chelmsford	78	17
Wed. Feb. 23, 2000	(H)	Exeter	39	65
Sat. Feb. 26, 2000	(A)	Maine Usatf (Bowdoin)	canceled	

Boys' Track Dominates Tri-Meet; Team Captures All But One Event

by Alex Kehlenbeck
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	71
Masconomet	37
Lynnfield	10

TRACK

Coming off a solid first win last week, boys' track competed in its second meet of the season on Wednesday. Rising to the challenge of a tri-meet competition between Masconomet, Lynnfield, and PA, the boys' team simply destroyed the opposition. With strong performances in every event, PA managed to take every gold medal save the high jump. The meet started off with a bang as PA took an early lead with an outstanding 4:45 in the mile by Eli Lazarus '00. John Busby '00, despite hitting every hurdle, continued to dominate in the fifty-yard high hurdles, an event he has taken over in the past year. The short sprint was owned by Julias Bradshaw '00, who blew away the competition in the fifty-yard dash, finishing nearly three yards ahead of the second-place Masconomet sprinter. Following the fifty, Ted Jutras '01 ran for the first of his two victories, cranking out a superb 1:20.7 in the six hundred yards, a race he had not run previously this season. Jutras has run well all season, putting up a personal-best 4:25 in the mile last weekend at the Harvard Open, topping the 4:30 he ran against a highly talented field at the Dartmouth Relays three weeks ago. Also running for the first time this season in the six hundred was Michael Grant '03. Running in the third heat, Grant hung back for three laps before kicking out the bell lap and finishing in 1:22.3, a time which placed him third overall and set a new junior class record, breaking the 1988 record of 1:23.4. The longest race of the day, the two mile run, was won by Ben Phillips '01, who beat out a strong trio of Masconomet runners who led for a half-

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Postgraduate sprinter Julius Bradshaw finished more than three yards ahead of his nearest competitor in Wednesday's 50-yard dash.

three hundred yard dash, overcoming a slight slip on the fourth curve of the first lap that broke his blistering rhythm before cruising to an easy win. The track was now cleared for the final individual event of the day, the one thousand yard run. Masconomet and from the start of the race, never letting any runners pass them, and kicked in times of 2:33 and 2:36, respectively. The meet closed out with the mile relay, an event that often decides the outcome of the meet and draws a large

Boys' Track Improves to 4-0 Mark With Wednesday Victory; Seniors Bradshaw, Busby Lead Pack of Strong Performances

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two relay teams in the race. Emerson Sykes '01 and Lazarus ran the lead legs, and from the start it was clear that neither Masconomet nor Lynnfield was planning to put up much of a fight.

Sykes and Lazarus finished their legs with a sixty-yard lead, which only grew larger in the succeeding legs. The scoring team of Sykes, Alex Kehlenbeck '01, Alan Ginsberg '00, and Austin Arensberg '01 finished with a forty-four second lead.

The field events proceeded in much the same way as the running events. Busby and Sykes took first and second, respectively, in the long jump, and Josh Rodriguez '01 won the shot-put by nearly a foot. The high jump was the only event in which Andover athletes did not claim first place – all the other ten events were won by PA, producing a final score of 71-37-10.

With these two wins, the boys' team moved to 4-0 on the season, and looks to chalk up two more next week against Andover High and Central Catholic in a double-dual meet.

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Lower Brandon Winston is pictured here during his pole vault attempt in Saturday's meet.

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Senior John Busby has been a dominant force in the 50 meter hurdles.

Boys' Track Twice Victorious In Wednesday's Double-Dual

by David Auld
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

BOYS' TRACK

Boys' Track was out for blood in last Wednesday's double-dual meet against Central Catholic and Andover High, as Central had beaten the Big Blue in the meet's final event last year, while PA had edged Andover, also in the meet's last event. This year brought vast changes to the normally tough competition from Andover High and Central Catholic.

The meet started with Phillips Academy domination, from which neither Andover High nor Central ever recovered. With the mile leading off, PA came out blazing. Ted Jutras '01, in the closest race of the day, edged out the Central runner to take first by only 0.3 seconds. Jutras held the lead going into the last lap, but the Central runner found that extra ounce of energy and tried to run around Jutras. Jutras used his inside position to force the Central runner to the outside, going into an all-out sprint on the last straightaway to just edge out the Central runner. Ben Phillips '01 finished just behind the two to take third place in the Central meet and second in the Andover High meet. Shotj3put finished next, with PA taking second and third in the Andover meet and first and second in the Central meet. Jonathan Ross-Harrington '00 threw 41'2" to lead PA, while Jon Judson '02, the junior record holder, finished close behind at 40'10". John Busby '00 and Kyle Preman '00, with jumps of 19'11" and 19'3" respectively, took first and second in the long jump in both meets, while Jordan Harris '02 completed the sweep in the Central meet. Busby had barely finished the long jump when he was called in the fifty yard high hurdles. Nonetheless, he produced a stellar performance, finishing first against Central and a very close second against a speedy Andover High hurdler. The fifty yard dash followed, with Julius Bradshaw '00 cruising to first place in 5.7 seconds. In the 600 yard run, Mike Grant '03 ran a remarkable time of 1:22.6. Only a junior, Grant placed first in the Andover meet and finished only one tenth of a second behind the first Central runner. The two-mile race, in which Eli Lazarus '00 and Tony Bitz '02 took to the track for PA, was an impressive demonstration of speed and endurance. Lazarus flew around the track, completing the twenty-three laps in only 10:13.6, taking first place, while Bitz was not far behind, taking third in the race. The 300 yard dash, Central's bread-and-butter race, was next on the agenda. Although scoreless against Central, the PA runners swept the Andover High athletes, with Emerson Sykes '01 leading the charge with a time of 36.5 seconds. Jutras and Grant both ran the 1000 yard race, which sealed the fate of the other runners. Jutras won both meets with a time of 2:31.5, while Grant took second in the Andover meet, and missed out on second place in the Central meet by a narrow margin. The evening finished off in the traditional fashion with the running of the mile relay.

PA sent one of its stronger teams out. The combination of Busby, Alex Kehlenbeck '01, Geoff O'Donoghue '02, and Austin Arensburg '01 proved too much for its opponents as the squad cruised to a decisive victory. After the final tallies had been read, Captain Sean Scott '00 was elated by the margin of victory.

Scott commented, "Its amazing how well we did today. We lost the Central meet last year by one point, and we come back this year to beat them by 16. The turnaround is astounding. It is due to the depth of our team, and the younger runners stepping up during the meets and winning crucial points for us. Our success is due to the entire team, and I am very proud of everyone who goes out there and tries their best." As Boys' Track improves its record to 6-0 this season, all thoughts are geared towards the next

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Track Teams Travel to Take On Rival Exies at Invitational

by Alex Kehlenbeck
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Last Saturday, the track team's top runners, throwers, and jumpers traveled to Wheaton College for a twelve-hour day of unscored competition on a fast track against Exeter and a few runners from Choate. A large college meet took place concurrently with the high school meet, causing some long breaks between races for the high school runners, but also giving the Andover runners a chance to see how their times and distances measured up with solid Division III performances.

The girls' meet began on a high note with Julia O'Hern '01 throwing 36' 5" in the shot put, breaking her own school indoor record. Jenny McJunkin '00 won the other field event of the day, the long jump, with a leap of 14' 4". The Andover girls owned the long sprints with strong times turned in by Katie Dlesk '03 (27.66 in the 200 meters) and Captain Lucy Greene '00 (1:04.4 in the 400 meters). Distance phenom Melissa Donais '02 ran away from the competition in the 1500 meters, winning easily, but turned in an even more impressive performance in the 4x400 meter relay. Andover ran two teams against Exeter's one, and starting the final leg, both were well behind. Donais, running anchor for one of PA's teams, went out at a fast pace, quickly erasing Exeter's nearly 20 meter lead and winning in 4:21.0. Greene, running anchor for the other Andover squad, pushed ahead of Exeter's anchor on the first turn but grew tired and was passed on the back stretch of the final lap. Turning onto the home stretch, Exeter's anchor exhausted herself trying desperately to catch Donais, forgetting that Greene was still close. With less than ten meters left, Greene kicked ahead, beating out Exeter at the line by just 0.4 seconds.

The boys' meet see-sawed back and forth. Exeter's field-event squad took both the long jump and the shot put, but Andover's fortunes changed quickly as the running events started. Ted Jutras '01 tore up the 1500 meters in a superb time of 4:07, which would have placed him second the collegiate meet. John Busby '00 and post-graduate Julius Bradshaw were victims of heat seedings in the 55 meter hurdles and dash, respectively. Both won their heats, Busby in 8.28 and Bradshaw in

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O'HERN & GRANT BREAK RECORDS FOR TRACK TEAM

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6.82, but both were matched by runners in later heats who knew what time would be needed. In the 400 meter race, all five runners reached the first-lap cut-in at almost exactly the same time and jostled for position down the entire home-stretch before an Exeter sprinter took the lead and held it for almost all of the second lap. Emerson Sykes '01, running in second, waited until the final ten meters to make his move, catching the Exeter runner by surprise and pulling ahead at the finish line, winning by a photo-finish 0.03 seconds with a great time of 54.66. Exeter came back with its three most talented runners in the 800 meters, however, all of whom ran under 2:00, a superb mark on an indoor track, taking the race away from Andover's trio of Michael Grant '03, Austin Arensberg '01, and Geoff O'Donoghue '02, who turned in strong mid-winter times despite the competition. The boys dished it right back to Exeter in the 3000 meters, however, led by Ben Phillips '01 and Eli Lazarus '00, who both ran 9:25, over 31 seconds better than Exeter's third-place finisher. As in the girls' meet, though, the closest race of the day was in the 4x400 meter relay. Sykes led off, but despite his fast leg, the handoffs occurred simultaneously. Exeter's second leg took a fast pace out in front of Alex Kehlenbeck '01, who settled in behind before kicking the final 100 meters and opening up a small lead. Captain Sean Scott '00, running his first 400 meters in nearly four weeks, ground out a tough leg, extending the lead slightly, but coming into the final handoff, Exeter was still within striking distance. Arensberg, Andover's anchor, cranked out a quick first lap but Exeter was still able to eliminate the gap. Entering the final 100 meters, however, Arensberg turned on his kick and began opening up a lead again, finishing more than a second ahead. "On that last stretch, I asked myself, 'Do you want this thing, or not?'" Arensberg said afterwards. Scott's thoughts were similar. "It's Exeter. There was no way we were going to lose."

Although the meets were not scored, and neither Andover nor Exeter brought a full squad, it was clear that the two teams were very evenly matched. In twelve days, Exeter comes for the final meet of the season. In twelve days, Red blood will be runnin' in the cage.

On Wednesday, Andover hosted Exeter for the only freshman/sophomore meet of the season. Highlights included Grant's 4:49 junior record in the mile, adding to the 600 yard and 1000 yard records he has also broken this season. Bronson McDonald '02 took first place in the high jump, 50 yard dash, and the 300 yard dash, where he ran the team's best time for the season, 36.0. The girls' 4x400 meter relay team of Ann Riordan '03, Ellie Marshall '02, Kezi Barry '02, and Carolyn Blaeser '03 came from far behind in the most exciting race of the meet, pulling ahead in the final 30 yards to tie the meet 45-45, while the boys coasted to a 75-34 victory.

Ted Jutras '01

"Unassuming temperament, indomitable work ethic, and consistent performance at high levels make Ted the perfect teammate." —Will Chan '01

by David Auld
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Ted Jutras '01 is an all-star on the track team. His combination of speed and endurance has left him unbeaten this season and allowed him to help the boys' track team to an impressive 6-0 record. Jutras' workhorse determination has made him a team leader and a role model. Often seen practicing late into the evening, his training as been paying off of late. Jutras has run a plethora of races, ranging from the 600 yard run to the mile. This past weekend, Jutras turned in a blistering 1500 meter run at the Wheaton Invitational to place first among the high school runners and an amazing second overall in a field that included some of the top collegiate runners in the area. At the Harvard Invitational, he ran a ridiculous 4:25 in the mile, easily the fastest mile time posted in the last few years by anyone from any prep school.

Jutras has continually crushed opponents and blown by the opposition in every meet and invitational this season. He has doubled in every meet this season, capturing more points than anyone else on the team. "He is amazing. I have never seen anyone dominate every event as consistently as Jutras. When Jutras races, we know we have first place points coming our way," boasted fellow track runner Alex Kehlenbeck '01. Coming off a spectacular cross-country season, where Jutras helped to lead the team to the Interscholastic championship, he has adapted to the shorter distances of the track season and has become the most critical runner on the team. Jutras has been a pillar for the team to lean on because of his guaranteed points and the emotional boost he provides through his victories. He will be one of the key runners in the upcoming bout with Exeter. Ted's ability to complete a season sweep and double against Exeter will be crucial to any hope the Blue has of beating Exeter and finishing the season undefeated. If Jutras continues to

run as he has thus far this season, Exeter will have to watch out.

Ted grew up in Wellesley, Massachusetts and began running in the sixth grade, following in the footsteps of his father and brother. Soon, he left his mark at Wellesley Middle School, breaking the course record for his cross country course. Ted then took his freshman year at Wellesley High School before deciding to attend Phillips. Introduced to PA by his brother, Nate Jutras '97, a track and cross country post graduate who now attends William and Mary, Ted came to Andover as a lower and became a trivarsity athlete in his first year at the school. Over the course of his Phillips Academy career, Ted has spent a great deal of time with cross country and track coach John Stableford, who has helped Ted become the strong runner he is now.

Ted also excels on the baseball diamond. Raised as a purebred Boston Red Sox fan, Ted always knew he was destined to play baseball. Last spring, he helped pitch a shutout against Tabor and made the defensive highlight film with his great play at shortstop against NMH. The varsity squad is looking to Ted, its only returning upper, to use his experience and talent to become a team leader in the upcoming season.

In the fall, Ted runs cross-country; he has been a major factor on the team the past two seasons. Running in the fourth position on the team this year, he still has next year to add to his tally of championships and move up the ranks on the team.

Ted also dabbles as a musician. Often seen jamming in his room, Ted prides himself on being a self-taught guitarist and has been known to imitate Dave Matthews. Ted also gives back to the community, volunteering his spare time to tutor younger students in his hometown. Ted hopes to move on to college at William and Mary or UVA, where he will continue running.

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Emerson Sykes '01 soars 18' 7" in his last attempt to place third overall, completing the sweep of the long jump event.

Boys' & Girls' Track Teams Handily Trample Chelmsford

by Jason Schneiderman and Wes Furhman
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITERS

Andover Boys	78
Chelmsford	17

Andover Girls	70
Chelmsford	25

Boys' Track

From the first gun, the Andover boys' track team knew on Wednesday that their undefeated streak would run another week. Facing a highly ranked Chelmsford squad, the boys won by a sweeping margin of 78-17, moving to 7-0 on the season.

In a wild mile run, Wes Fuhrman '01 and Eli Lazarus '00 combined to capture first and second place. After closing the lead of a swift Chelmsford runner who had taken a fast start, both athletes passed him and maintained the lead until the bell lap. Fuhrman kicked hard, opening a sizable gap and finishing in 4:45.0, while Lazarus fought off a strong attack from the Chelmsford runner to hold onto second by just a tenth of a second in the most exciting finish of the day. John Busby '00 took first in the 50 yard hurdles with a 7.0 and Braxton Winston '01 grabbed third, while teammates Julius Bradshaw '00 and Bronson McDonald '02 finished first and second in the 50 yard dash. Chelmsford entered no runners in the 600 yard run allowing Andover's Ted Jutras '01, Austin Arensberg '01, and Geoff O'Donoghue '02 to sweep the event. McDonald and Jutras also took first in the 300 yards and 1000 yards runs with times of 36.1 and 2:32.8, respectively. Junior star Michael Grant, running in his first two mile, this season finished in 10:33.2 — a comfortable 10 second lead over the nearest runner. Grant then ran with team captain Sean Scott '00, Arensberg, and Alex Kehlenbeck '01 to crush the Chelmsford mile relay team by a full lap with a time of 3:56.7.

The field events produced as much success as the running events had. McDonald claimed his second first place finish of the day in the high jump, edging teammates Busby and Kyle Preman '00 as the boys swept the event. Preman, Busby, and Emerson Sykes '01 likewise swept the long jump. Said Sykes of his jump, "It wasn't a great jump, but I beat him by an inch. Points for the team are the only things that matter. And I love sweeping events!" In an unscored exhibition pole vault event, Brandon Winston '02 achieved his first win, clearing a height of 8'6". Only the shot putters failed to capture first place but Joshua Rodriguez '01 and Jonathan Judson '02 easily took second and third. Rodriguez remarked, "that was my personal best by two feet but I still got more for Exeter."

Next Wednesday, the boys challenge Exeter in the final meet of the season. Exeter has a superb squad this year, anchored by three speedy middle-

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GIRLS' TRACK IMPROVES TO 6-1; PREPARES FOR EXETER

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distance runners, who will be looking to score big points in the 600yds, 1000yds, and mile. The Andover boys will have to crank out a few incredible performances to have a chance of besting the Big Red, but are hoping that the home-track advantage and a large crowd of spectators will help them stay undefeated for the second straight season.

Girls' Track

Last Wednesday the girls' track team added another win to their now 6-1 season by beating Chelmsford 70-25. Sweeps in three events, and Julia O'Hern's '01 school-record-breaking performance in the shot put highlighted an overall strong performance by the girls. Taking first in all but two events, the girls trounced a strong Chelmsford team, showing that they are ready for next week's showdown with Exeter.

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Senior sprinter Deysia Dundas rockets to a first-place finish in the 50-yard dash.

The girls started strong, dominating the field events. O'Hern put the Blue ahead early by outthrowing her closest competitor by eight feet with a hurl of 37' 10" in the shot put, demolishing her previous record of 36'5". Jenny McJunkin '00 soared over the bar at 4' 8" to claim first in the high jump, with promising freshmen Jeanne LeSaffre and Katie Dlesk tying for second at 4' 4". Cynthia Isoh '00 led a sweep in the long jump with a leap of 16' 5.25", a personal best.

The runners continued the trend of dominance through the rest of the meet, winning all races but the one-mile. Hillary Jay '02 ran a fast second half to win the two-mile in a time of 12:33. Sprinters Deysia Dundas '00 and Katherine Dlesk went one-three in the 50 yard dash, Dundas in 6.7 and Dlesk in 6.8, and one-two in the 300 yard dash, Dlesk in 40.7 and Dundas in 40.8. Lower sensation Melissa Donais '02 ran alone in the 1000 yard run, clocking in with a speedy time of 2:46. Donais and Captain Lucy Green '00 both ran strong times in the 600 meter, taking first and second with times of 1:31.4 and 1:34.6. Green and Donais ran with Anne Riordan '03 and Carolyn Blaeser '03 in an impressive mile relay. Lapping one of the of the Chelmsford teams, the girls came in with a time of 4:40.8.

This week's impressive win gives good indication to what the Big Blue looks to do next week in their final meet against Exeter - dominate. Since racing with Exeter at the Wheaton Invitational, the Andover girls have been focusing on their meet against the Big Red. For most of the team, next week's meet will be the last of the season, so everyone is looking to end with stellar performances.

Boys Track Suffers First Loss in Two Seasons To PG-Stacked Exeter Middle-Distance Squad

Exeter	65
Andover	39

by Eli Lazarus
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

BOYS TRACK

Chalk one up in the losses column: last Wednesday night the boys' track team fell to a more prepared Exeter squad, finishing what could have been a perfect season with a 7–1 record. Until this week, Phillips Academy Boys Track had not lost a meet since January of last year.

The boys' one mile run best illustrates the way Wednesday's meet rolled in Exeter's favor. For the first race of the afternoon, Andover brought three of its toughest distance runners to the line: Ted Jutras '01, Weston Fuhrman '01 (co-captains of next year's boys' cross-country team), and Porter Fraker '00. Two members of Exeter's nationally ranked 4x800 relay team, Ross Tucker '01 and Nate Harding '00, were there to greet them. Both teams knew that the race would have to be strategic. Jutras, Fuhrman, Tucker, and Harding were all scheduled to double in the course of the meet, Jutras in the 1000 yards and Fuhrman and the Exeter pair in the two-mile. Exeter won the coin toss. Timers exchanged whistle blasts and the starter's gun went up.

Bang!

Jutras, having recorded a 4:25 mile earlier this season, jumped to a quick start and immediately stretched a ten-yard lead on the pack. Fuhrman hustled to close the early gap, and Tucker and Harding settled in behind.

With Jutras alone in front, it looked as though Fuhrman would have to carry Exeter's duo by himself. On coach Jon Stableford's command, Fraker suddenly reeled in a fifteen-yard deficit in a single surge and wedged himself ahead of Exeter's Tucker: If Exeter's boys planned to hang onto Fuhrman, they would have to maneuver around Fraker first. Though Fuhrman pulled away as much as he could, Fraker's interference gave out after two laps and Exeter's pair returned to lurk at Fuhrman's heels.

The true drama began with four laps left to go. (A mile in Case Memorial Cage takes eleven-and-two-thirds laps.) How long would Furhman hold off Exeter's double threat? And would Jutras be able to keep his lead over Harding, a tested 800-meter runner with a lethal finishing kick? Jutras knew the race behind him had shifted when the crowd noise from the upper deck rose to a roar. Harding had made a neat cut around both Tucker and Fuhrman and was drawing a bead on Jutras's back. With two laps remaining, Jutras started his kick to maintain a safe distance between himself and Harding. Tucker, rested after having drafted behind Fuhrman for ten laps, finally made his move with 180 yards left to run. Fuhrman hung on, forcing Tucker to tire himself with a breakneck sprint to the finish.

Jutras took top honors, but Exeter made smooth work of second and third place, leaving Fuhrman, despite all his work, shut out in fourth.

Unfortunately, on Wednesday evening the P.A. boys seemed stuck in a downward spiral.

"We ran our hearts out today," said Captain Sean Scott in the post-meet huddle. The boys in Blue put up a strong fight and lost a fine contest to a superior team. Exeter had the advantage going into the meet—a strong distance department, a deep set of sprinters, and throwers built like Mack trucks. The Big Red didn't make any mistakes or leave any slack for Andover to ravel up.

The P.A. boys should be proud of their season, for their almost undefeated record speaks for itself. Andover was good. This time, Exeter was simply better.

BOYS' TRACK

Event	Name	Result	Place
Shot Put	–	–	–
Long Jump	Preman	20'4 1/4"	2
	Busby	20'2 3/4"	3
High Jump	Busby	5'6"	2
	Preman	5'4"	3
Pole Vault	Winston	9'6"	2
50 yds.	Bradshaw	5.7	1
50 yds. Hurdles	Busby	6.8	1
300 yds.	Sykes	35.9	2
600 yds.	Arensberg	1:20.5	2
	O'Donoghue	1:20.9	3
1000 yds.	Jutras	2:27.1	2
	Grant	2:30.5	3
Mile	Jutras	4:37.0	1
2 Mile	Lazarus	10:28.6	2
Mile Relay	Scott, O'Donoghue, Kehlenbeck, Arensberg	4:00.8	2

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Eli Lazarus '00 took any early lead in the two-mile run, but later was passed and finished second.

SPORT: TRACK - GIRLS

YEAR: 1999-2000

CAPTAIN: Lucy Greene
HOME ADDRESS:

MANAGER: Kerri-Ann Rowe
HOME ADDRESS:

COACH: Richard Collins
ASSISTANT COACHES:

SEASON RECORD

WON 7 LOST 1 TIED 0

LETTER WINNERS

Arakawa, Miho	Jay, Hilary
Barry, Keziban	Marshall, Eleanor
Blaeser, Carolyn	Mason, KAtherine
Chu, Katherine	McJunkin, Jennifer
Curry, Reed	Miller, Laura
Dlesk, Katherine	O'Hern, Julia
Donais, Melissa	Riordan, Anne
Dundas, Deysia	Rowe, Kerri-Ann
Greene, Lucy	Westaway, Erin
Isoh, Cynthia	Yu, Shuk Mann

Girls' Track Runs Over Opponents Lynnfield, Masco in Tri-Meet Blowout

by David Auld
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	**78**
Masconomet	**22**
Lynnfield	**18**

TRACK

Girl's Track, suffering from a tough loss last week without many of its top stars, recovered this week to lay the smack down on Masconomet and Lynnfield. The girls team's total score was more than triple that of their closest foe. Winning every event except the 2-mile, the girls simply dominated. Cynthia Isoh '01 had one of her best days of the season winning both the 50 yd hurdles and the long jump in stunning fashion.

Cynthia has been steadily improving and has become one of the driving forces on the girls team this year. Melissa Donais '02, back from her injury, kept true to her form in blowing away the competition in both the 600 yd run and the 1000 yd run, with times of 1:32.2 and 2:48.3 respectively. Melissa took a fall while at Dartmouth 3 weeks ago and has come back strong to take these two events like the Melissa of old.

Deysia Dundas '00 added to the show by contributing easy victories in the 50 yd dash, at 6.7s, and the 300 yd dash, at 41.3s. Deysia is the resident sprinter for the girls this season, and has been great at getting the helpful points from the short distances. Julia O'Hern '01, continuing where she left off last year, threw her shot a good 7 ft past the girls from Lynnfield and Masconomet. O'Hern with her throw of 35'3", flattened the competition. O'Hern has dominated everyone for the past two seasons in the shot-put, and looks on the path to break the girl's shot-put record, which she already holds. Hillary Jay '02 also stomped the competition in the mile run with her time of 5:47.4, putting her almost a lap in front of her closest opponent. Jenny McJunkin '00 took the high jump in her traditional method of just jumping higher than everyone else. Jenny has been putting this strategy to work over the past two meets, and it has worked to perfection.

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Jenny McJunkin '00 took first in the high jump in Saturday's meet.

The two mile race, which Andover fell just short of winning, was still controlled by the two Andover girls Adrea Lee '01 and Kate Mason '00 who took second and third. The two mile race, the longest race, was hard fought throughout, but with solid teamwork, the two girls pushed each other to their limits and posted great times. The girl's pole vault was quite a spectacle.

Andover faced some of the toughest competition it has ever faced and came away with a clean sweep. The grand finale of the day, was the mile relay. Often the deciding event in close meets, the relay is the most important of events. The girls, determined to continue their owning of the competition, went out in a blaze to take the early lead. Speedster Deysia took the baton first and rounded the first three laps just ahead of the competition. Junior Carolyn Blaeser, who also placed third in the 600, took the baton next and absolutely ran away from the competition.

Although not needing the extra half lap to beat her opponents, Hillary Jay took the baton next and racing as fast as ever, she passed off the baton with time enough to take a nap before the next girl arrived. Lucy Greene, the captain and anchor for the girls team received the baton last and cruised to victory. The final time for the girls was 4:36.2. Final score: PA-78, Masco-22. Lynnfield-18.

1/26/00

Girls' Track Beats Central, Andover

by Alex Kehlenbeck
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

On Wednesday, Girls' track hosted Central Catholic and Andover High in a double-dual meet. PA competed against both opponents, but Central Catholic and Andover did not compete against each other. In past years, Central and Andover have fielded exceptionally strong teams, and the girls thought that they would have to produce superb performances to have any chance of winning either meet. As it turned out, the girls, 3-1 on the season entering the meet, did not give themselves enough credit, and ended up thrashing their opponents by a combined total of 82 points.

Hilary Jay '02 and Reed Curry '01 led off the running events in the mile, setting a fast pace that the surprisingly weak Central and Andover runners could not sustain. Jay kicked in a time of 5:50, with Curry following 13 seconds later, netting the team a seven point lead in both meets. Anne Riordan '03 followed in the fifty yard hurdles with a respectable time of 8.3 seconds, but both Central and Andover fielded more experienced hurdlers who won the event. The dash was dominated by Katie Dlesk '03 and Deysia Dundas '00, who finished in first and second, respectively, with a sizable lead over the closest Central sprinter. Melissa Donais '02 and Captain Lucy Greene '00 matched the sprinters' performances with a convincing four second win in the punishing 600 yard dash. Halfway through the running events, PA led by the surprising scores of 25-11 against Andover and 28-8 against Catholic. The much anticipated nail-biter that the meet was supposed to be had instead turned into the beginnings of a rout.

In the two mile run, Carolyn Blaeser '03 quickly grabbed a large lead over the weak Central squad, but could not reel in Andover's strong top distance runner, who claimed the event. The second sprint event, the 300 yard run, proceeded much as the 50 yard dash had, with Dlesk and Dundas again going 1-2 over Andover, but losing on the finish-line lean to Central. Said one spectator, "I thought we got that one. If Central were winning, they wouldn't have gotten that call." Donais returned to double in the 1000 yard with Kezi Barry '02, who together claimed the top two places and eight more points in each meet. Going into the relay, the girls knew they had won both meets already, but the squad of Dundas, Blaeser, Curry, and Jay ran well, beating Andover by five seconds and Central by 19.

The field events, proceeding in parallel with the running events, were a similar story of PA dominance. Jenny McJunkin '00 and Dlesk both cleared 4'8" to lead the high jump, an event the girls have not lost this year. Cynthia Isoh '01, with a 16'1" leap in the long jump, claimed first place against Central and second place versus Andover. In the shot put, Julia O'Hearn '01, who has been virtually unbeaten in the past two years, threw 35'3" to win by nearly two feet.

The girls improved to 5-1 on the season, their only loss coming against a superb Tewksbury team, and have been dominant in their five wins. A JV meet next Wednesday gives the girls two weeks of tough training before they finish out the season against Exeter's strong squad.

2/2/00

Track Teams Travel to Take On Rival Exies at Invitational

by Alex Kehlenbeck
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Last Saturday, the track team's top runners, throwers, and jumpers traveled to Wheaton College for a twelve-hour day of unscored competition on a fast track against Exeter and a few runners from Choate. A large college meet took place concurrently with the high school meet, causing some long breaks between races for the high school runners, but also giving the Andover runners a chance to see how their times and distances measured up with solid Division III performances.

The girls' meet began on a high note with Julia O'Hern '01 throwing 36' 5" in the shot put, breaking her own school indoor record. Jenny McJunkin '00 won the other field event of the day, the long jump, with a leap of 14' 4". The Andover girls owned the long sprints with strong times turned in by Katie Dlesk '03 (27.66 in the 200 meters) and Captain Lucy Greene '00 (1:04.4 in the 400 meters). Distance phenom Melissa Donais '02 ran away from the competition in the 1500 meters, winning easily, but turned in an even more impressive performance in the 4x400 meter relay. Andover ran two teams against Exeter's one, and starting the final leg, both were well behind. Donais, running anchor for one of PA's teams, went out at a fast pace, quickly erasing Exeter's nearly 20 meter lead and winning in 4:21.0. Greene, running anchor for the other Andover squad, pushed ahead of Exeter's anchor on the first turn but grew tired and was passed on the back stretch of the final lap. Turning onto the home stretch, Exeter's anchor exhausted herself trying desperately to catch Donais, forgetting that Greene was still close. With less than ten meters left, Greene kicked ahead, beating out Exeter at the line by just 0.4 seconds.

The boys' meet see-sawed back and forth. Exeter's field-event squad took both the long jump and the shot put, but Andover's fortunes changed quickly as the running events started. Ted Juttas '01 tore in the 1500 meters in a superb time of 4:07, which would have placed him second in the collegiate meet. John Busby '00 and post-graduate Julius Bradshaw were victims of heat seedings in the 55 meter hurdles and dash, respectively. Both won their heats, Busby in 8.28 and Bradshaw in

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O'HERN & GRANT BREAK RECORDS FOR TRACK TEAM

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6.82, but both were matched by runners in later heats who knew what time would be needed. In the 400 meter race, all five runners reached the first-lap cut-in at almost exactly the same time and jostled for position down the entire home-stretch before an Exeter sprinter took the lead and held it for almost all of the second lap. Emerson Sykes '01, running in second, waited until the final ten meters to make his move, catching the Exeter runner by surprise and pulling ahead at the finish line, winning by a photo-finish 0.03 seconds with a great time of 54.66. Exeter came back with its three most talented runners in the 800 meters, however, all of whom ran under 2:00, a superb mark on an indoor track, taking the race away from Andover's trio of Michael Grant '03, Austin Arensberg '01, and Geoff O'Donoghue '02, who turned in strong mid-winter times despite the competition. The boys dished it right back to Exeter in the 3000 meters, however, led by Ben Phillips '01 and Eli Lazarus '00, who both ran 9:25, over 31 seconds better than Exeter's third-place finisher. As in the girls' meet, though, the closest race of the day was in the 4x400 meter relay. Sykes led off, but despite his fast leg, the handoffs occurred simultaneously. Exeter's second leg took a fast pace out in front of Alex Kehlenbeck '01, who settled in behind before kicking the final 100 meters and opening up a small lead. Captain Sean Scott '00, running his first 400 meters in nearly four weeks, ground out a tough leg, extending the lead slightly, but coming into the final handoff, Exeter was still within striking distance. Arensberg, Andover's anchor, cranked out a quick first lap but Exeter was still able to eliminate the gap. Entering the final 100 meters, however, Arensberg turned on his kick and began opening up a lead again, finishing more than a second ahead. "On that last stretch, I asked myself, 'Do you want this thing, or not?'" Arensberg said afterwards. Scott's thoughts were similar. "It's Exeter. There was no way we were going to lose."

Although the meets were not scored, and neither Andover nor Exeter brought a full squad, it was clear that the two teams were very evenly matched. In twelve days, Exeter comes for the final meet of the season. In twelve days, Red blood will be runnin' in the cage.

On Wednesday, Andover hosted Exeter for the only freshman/sophomore meet of the season. Highlights included Grant's 4:49 junior record in the mile, adding to the 600 yard and 1000 yard records he has also broken this season. Bronson McDonald '02 took first place in the high jump, 50 yard dash, and the 300 yard dash, where he ran the team's best time for the season, 36.0. The girls' 4x400 meter relay team of Ann Riordan '03, Ellie Marshall '02, Kezi Barry '02, and Carolyn Blaeser '03 came from far behind in the most exciting race of the meet, pulling ahead in the final 30 yards to tie the meet 45-45, while the boys coasted to a 75-34 victory.

Boys' & Girls' Track Teams Handily Trample Chelmsford

by Jason Schneiderman and Wes Furhman
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITERS

Andover Boys	78
Chelmsford	17

Andover Girls	70
Chelmsford	25

Boys' Track

From the first gun, the Andover boys' track team knew on Wednesday that their undefeated streak would run another week. Facing a highly ranked Chelmsford squad, the boys won by a sweeping margin of 78-17, moving to 7-0 on the season.

In a wild mile run, Wes Fuhrman '01 and Eli Lazarus '00 combined to capture first and second place. After closing the lead of a swift Chelmsford runner who had taken a fast start, both athletes passed him and maintained the lead until the bell lap. Fuhrman kicked hard, opening a sizable gap and finishing in 4:45.0, while Lazarus fought off a strong attack from the Chelmsford runner to hold onto second by just a tenth of a second in the most exciting finish of the day. John Busby '00 took first in the 50 yard hurdles with a 7.0 and Braxton Winston '01 grabbed third, while teammates Julius Bradshaw '00 and Bronson McDonald '02 finished first and second in the 50 yard dash. Chelmsford entered no runners in the 600 yard run allowing Andover's Ted Jutras '01, Austin Arensberg '01, and Geoff O'Donoghue '02 to sweep the event. McDonald and Jutras also took first in the 300 yards and 1000 yards runs with times of 36.1 and 2:32.8, respectively. Junior star Michael Grant, running in his first two mile, this season finished in 10:33.2 — a comfortable 10 second lead over the nearest runner. Grant then ran with team captain Sean Scott '00, Arensberg, and Alex Kehlenbeck '01 to crush the Chelmsford mile relay team by a full lap with a time of 3:56.7.

The field events produced as much success as the running events had. McDonald claimed his second first place finish of the day in the high jump, edging teammates Busby and Kyle Preman '00 as the boys swept the event. Preman, Busby, and Emerson Sykes '01 likewise swept the long jump. Said Sykes of his jump, "It wasn't a great jump, but I beat him by an inch. Points for the team are the only things that matter. And I love sweeping events!" In an unscored exhibition pole vault event, Brandon Winston '02 achieved his first win, clearing a height of 8'6". Only the shot putters failed to capture first place but Joshua Rodriguez '01 and Jonathan Judson '02 easily took second and third. Rodriguez remarked, "that was my personal best by two feet but I still got more for Exeter."

Next Wednesday, the boys challenge Exeter in the final meet of the season. Exeter has a superb squad this year, anchored by three speedy middle-

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GIRLS' TRACK IMPROVES TO 6-1; PREPARES FOR EXETER

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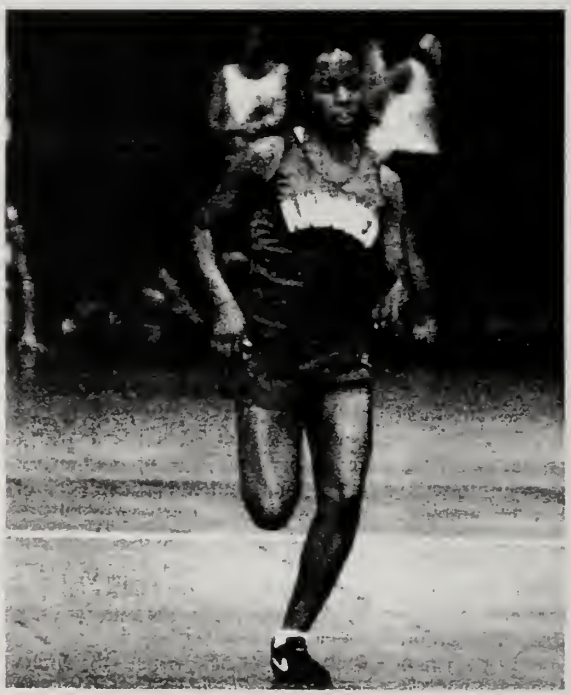
distance runners, who will be looking to score big points in the 600yds, 1000yds, and mile. The Andover boys will have to crank out a few incredible performances to have a chance of besting the Big Red, but are hoping that the home-track advantage and a large crowd of spectators will help them stay undefeated for the second straight season.

Girls' Track

Last Wednesday the girls' track team added another win to their now 6-1 season by beating Chelmsford 70-25. Sweeps in three events, and Julia O'Hern's '01 school-record-breaking performance in the shot put highlighted an overall strong performance by the girls. Taking first in all but two events, the girls trounced a strong Chelmsford team, showing that they are ready for next week's showdown with Exeter.



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Senior sprinter Deysia Dundas rockets to a first-place finish in the 50-yard dash.

The girls started strong, dominating the field events. O'Hern put the Blue ahead early by outthrowing her closest competitor by eight feet with a hurl of 37' 10" in the shot put, demolishing her previous record of 36'5". Jenny McJunkin '00 soared over the bar at 4' 8" to claim first in the high jump, with promising freshmen Jeanne LeSaffre and Katie Dlesk tying for second at 4' 4". Cynthia Isoh '00 led a sweep in the long jump with a leap of 16' 5.25", a personal best.

The runners continued the trend of dominance through the rest of the meet, winning all races but the one-mile. Hillary Jay '02 ran a fast second half to win the two-mile in a time of 12:33. Sprinters Deysia Dundas '00 and Katherine Dlesk went one-three in the 50 yard dash, Dundas in 6.7 and Dlesk in 6.8, and one-two in the 300 yard dash, Dlesk in 40.7 and Dundas in 40.8. Lower sensation Melissa Donais '02 ran alone in the 1000 yard run, clocking in with a speedy time of 2:46. Donais and Captain Lucy Green '00 both ran strong times in the 600 meter, taking first and second with times of 1:31.4 and 1:34.6. Green and Donais ran with Anne Riordan '03 and Carolyn Blaeser '03 in an impressive mile relay. Lapping one of the of the Chelmsford teams, the girls came in with a time of 4:40.8.

This week's impressive win gives good indication to what the Big Blue looks to do next week in their final meet against Exeter - dominate. Since racing with Exeter at the Wheaton Invitational, the Andover girls have been focusing on their meet against the Big Red. For most of the team, next week's meet will be the last of the season, so everyone is looking to end with stellar performances.

Girls Track Disposes of Exeter in Fitting Conclusion to 7-1 Season

by Charles Reyner
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Exeter	31
Andover	73

GIRLS' TRACK

Last Wednesday, the Girls Varsity track team capped off its 7-1 season with a win over Exeter. Starting with a dramatic victory from rising star Carolyn Blaeser '03, the girls began the meet with an early three-point lead and only widened the gap, beating Exeter in a 73-31 whipping.

The mile run started the girls' charge for season bragging rights, with an impressive win by Blaeser and a third place finish by Reed Curry '01. Curry started the race leading over a fast Exie and Blaeser; however, the pair overtook Curry and began a thrilling race towards the finish line. The two switched back and forth into the lead, encouraging the boisterous crowd's enthusiasm as the laps went by. Then, with the entire Cage watching, Blaeser pulled ahead during the Exie's final attempt to win and proceeded to kick her way to the line with a time of 5:33.6. As Captain Lucy Green '00 commented: "Carolyn had a great race today and is one of the team's upcoming stars. She ran well and held on nicely at the end."

The girls followed up on their first win with impressive performances by Julia O'Hern '01 and Jenny McJunkin '00 in the shot put and high jump respectively. These two wins in the field events ended many hopes for an Exeter victory, as the Andover girls were superior runners on the Cage track.

The 50-yard dash provided further excitement with excellent showings by Deysia Dundas '00 and Katherine Dlesk '03, who both improved by two tenths of a second on their previous week's times. Dundas pulled in the win however, with a time of 6.5 seconds, while Dlesk had the opportunity to steal an Exie's glory at the finish line with a time of 6.6 seconds.

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Jenny McJunkin '00 competes in the long jump last Wednesday, helping the girls in a resounding season-ending triumph over Exeter.

This was not all the Dundas-Dlesk pair had to offer the crowd. With the entire Cage was watching, as the field events were by now finished, Dundas and Dlesk teased one lowly Exie all the way around the track in the 300-yard dash. Dundas started out in the lead, with the Exie and Dlesk close behind. As Dundas wore herself out trying to hold on to the lead, Dlesk and the Exie moved up and it appeared to be an Exeter win entering the final turn. However, Dlesk, with a little more of her "you only thought you beat me" speed, broke out in the final straight-away and managed to beat the Exie at the finish line with a time of 40.2.

The girls also displayed a fine mastery of the distance events of the meet. Hillary Jay '02 continued her dominance of the two-mile run despite a tough Exeter competitor. Jay started the race way out in front, but was eventually passed by one competitor. The lead switched several times before Jay pulled away in the final lap. As the crowd cheered her on, Jay finished her season with a time of 12:28 and destroyed all thoughts of an Exeter victory. The girls also swept the 1000-yard run behind Kezi Barry '02, plac-

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2/23/00

Girls Track Take Nine First Place Finishes to Win

SPRING LOOKS BRIGHT

Riordan, Dlesk, Dundas And Greene Sprint to First in Mile

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ing first with a time of 3:00.4, followed by Blaeser and Curry.

Though the meet by now was won, the Andover mile relay team of Ann Riordan '03, Dundas, Dlesk, and Greene ran for pride against the Exeter squad that had led the Andover team for seven-eighths of a mile at the Wheaton Invitational meet four weeks earlier, the only other time the two teams had run against each other this season. This time around, the Andover girls took all suspense out of the competition, grabbing an early lead that only grew larger as the race progressed. A full ten seconds seperated the two squads by the time the Andover girls cruised across the finish line for an easy victory and a fitting close to a resounding trampling of last-year's Interscholastic champions.

The outcome of this meet and the way in which the girls won it are good signs that the team will have a spectacular spring season. Winning behind top-notch, first-place finishes, instead of with deep depth (although the girls certainly had that also), is a good indication that the girls will perform well at spring Interschols, a meet at which a few great times will score better than many good times. With Exeter, the defending champions, already conquered, nothing stands in the way of the girls winning an Interscholastic Championship this spring.

GIRLS TRACK

Event	Name	Result	Place
Shot Put	O'Hern	37' 8"	1
Long Jump	Isoh	16'0"	2
	McJunkin	15'9 3/4"	3
High Jump	McJunkin	4' 10"	1
	Dlesk	4' 8"	2
Pole Vault	Miller	7'	2
	Lindsay	6' 6"	3
50 yds.	Dundas	6.5	1
	Dlesk	6.6	2
50 yds. Hurdles	Riordan	8.3	2
	Isoh	8.3	3
300 yds.	Dlesk	40.2	1
	Dundas	40.8	3
600 yds.	Donais	1:31.3	1
	Greene	1:33.8	2
1000 yds.	Barry	3:00.4	1
	Blaeser	3:00.9	2
	Curry	3:06.5	3
Mile	Blaeser	5:33.6	1
	Curry	5:56.1	3
2 Mile	Jay	12:28.3	1
	Mason	13:25.2	3
Mile Relay	Riordan, Dlesk, Dundas, Greene	4:35.1	1

GIRLS' TRACK

			PA	OPP	
Sat. Jan. 8, 2000	(A)	Dartmouth Relays	not recorded		
Sat. Jan. 15, 2000	(A)	Yale INvitational	not recorded		
Wed. Jan. 19, 2000	(H)	Haverhill/Tewksbury	36.5	59	Tewks
				22.5	Have
Wed. Jan. 26, 2000	(H)	Masconomet/Lynnfield	78	22	Masc
				18	Lynn
Wed. Feb. 2, 2000	(H)	Andover/Central	61	34	AHS
			75	20	CCHS
Sat. Feb. 5, 2000	(A)	Wheaton INvitational	not recorded		
Wed. Feb. 16, 2000	(A)	Chelmsford	70	25	
Wed. Feb. 23, 2000	(H)	Exeter	73	21	
Sat. FDb. 24, 2000	(A)	Maine USATF	canceled		

SPORT: WRESTLING

YEAR: 1999-2000

CAPTAIN: Adam Jonas & Sean Murphy
HOME ADDRESS:

MANAGER:
HOME ADDRESS:

COACH: Rich Gorham
ASSISTANT COACHES:

SEASON RECORD

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LETTER WINNERS

Aisenberg, Joshua	Lane, Robert
Andre, Aldun	Mele, Nicholas
Barndollar, Gilman	Murphy, Sean
Boileau, Harry	Myers, Peter
Brancaccio, William	Pytka, Justin
Caruso, Philip	Shetty, Ashish
Deshpande, Pawan	Shvartsman, Daniel
Gossard, Andrew	Sinclair, Kevin
Hatanaka, Yosuke	Steptoe, LeChristian
Jonas, Adam	Siepser, Kelsey

WRESTLING

			PA	OPP
Sat. Dec. 4, 1999	(A)	Governor Dummer	43	36
Sat. Jan. 8, 2000	(H)	Choate	48	18
Wed. Jan. 12, 2000	(H)	Wilbraham & Monson	41	27
Sat. Jan. 15, 2000	(H)	Deerfield/Tilton/PCD/Hyde	59	9 Tilton
			51	22 Deer.
			62	15 PCD
			66	18 Hyde
Wed. Jan. 19, 2000	(H)	Worcester/Tabor	not recorded	
Sat. Jan. 21, 2000	(A)	Belmont Hill	not recorded	
Wed. Feb. 2, 2000	(H)	B.B.&N	55	12
Sat. Feb. 5, 2000	(H)	Moses/New Hampton/ Milton	43	31 Miltor
			67	12 Moses
			44	23 NHampt
Wed. Feb. 9, 2000	(H)	Brooks	43	27
Wed. Feb. 16, 2000	(A)	Exeter	not recorded	
Thurs. Feb. 24, 2000	(A)	Nationals (Lehigh)	canceled	

Wrestling Continues New England Dominance; Heavyweight Matches Prove Crucial to Victories

by Eric Seo
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	48
Choate	24

Andover	41
Wilbraham	27

After the long Christmas vacation, the Andover wrestling team took to the mats Saturday afternoon for its first match of the term. Coming back from a vacation, one would expect the team to be a bit rusty, but the wrestlers came out and wrestled well against a tough Choate team.

After forfeiting the first match at the 103 pound weight class, Pawan Deshpande '03, a new addition to the team, wrestled in the 112 pound match. After dominating for a period and a half, Deshpande pinned his opponent for the win, tying the match at 6-6. Following a pair of offsetting forfeits and pins by co-captain Sean Murphy '00 (125 lb.) and Justin Pytka '00 (135 lb.), the score was 18-12.

Co-captain Adam Jonas '00 wrestled next against Clark Briffle, a tough opponent whom he wrestled and defeated in last year's Class A finals. In this rematch of last year's championship, a great match was expected. Jonas jumped out to a 2-0 lead late in the first period, but Briffle wrestled back and escaped, making the score 2-1. In the third period, Jonas still held his small lead. The third period was filled with great attempts to escape by Briffle, but even better saves to hold on by Jonas. In the end, the score was 3-1 in favor of Jonas, giving Andover a 24-12 lead. From this point on the Andover team cruised to victory with hard fought matches by LeChristian Steptoe '00 (145 lb.), Nicholas Mele '01 (152 lb.), Andy Gossard '00 (160 lb.), Yosuke Hatanaka '00 (171 lb.), Josh Aisenberg '00 (189 lb.), Kevin Sinclair '01 (215 lb.), and Billy Brancaccio '00 (275 lb.), that resulted in an Andover victory by a score of 48-24.

Wednesday afternoon the Andover wrestling team matched up against a highly respected and highly skilled Wilbraham and Monson team. PA's lack of a 103 pound wrestler gave Wilbraham and Monson the early 6-0 lead. Andover bounced back when Deshpande (112 lb.) pinned his opponent in one minute and fourteen seconds, making the score 6-6. The next match (119 lb.) was a spectacular one that matched Andover's Dan Shvartsman, last year's New England runner-up (103 lb.), against Greg Lamarsh, class A place winner. A close match was expected, but did not occur. Shvartsman, using his incredibly fast shot took down Lamarsh for a quick two, but did not pursue it and let up his opponent immediately resulting in an early 2-1 lead. For two periods, Shvartsman continued this cycle of taking down and letting up his opponent. He was also never taken down and controlled the entire match, resulting in a technical fall (26-11) early in the third period, giving Andover a 11-6 lead. This match proved that although Shvartsman had moved up two weight classes, he could still compete with the best. Following another dominating performance by co-captain Murphy (125 lb.) and a tough loss by

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new freshman wrestler Aldun Andre (130 lb.), the score was 14-12.

Next, Pytka (135 lb.) wrestled a courageous match against a very difficult opponent in Steve Root. Pytka managed to keep the score close, with the first period ending with the score 2-1 in favor of Root. However, in the second period, Root's strength and experience began to take over and, at its close, Pytka found himself in a 7-1 hole. In the third period, Pytka wrestled hard and managed to escape from Root twice and to take him down once, resulting in a final score of 9-5 in favor of Root. Although Pytka lost the match, he showed great heart and persistence throughout it by refusing to let down for the entire six minute match.

With PA now down 14-15, Jonas took to the mat in the 140 lb. match. Jonas wrestled the first period much like Shvartsman, easily taking down his opponent three times and allowing him to escape twice resulting in a 6-2 score. In the second period, Jonas began on top and got his opponent on his back once, with the period finishing with the score 9-2. The third period was all Jonas. He escaped quickly from the bottom position and picked up his opponent from the ground and threw him to the mat to maintain control. In the end Jonas pinned his opponent reclaiming the lead for Andover, 20-15.

Steptoe (145 lb.) wrestled hard in the next match, battling back from a 1-7 deficit and losing 6-10. With the score close again at 20-18, Ashish Shetty '00 (152 lb.), wrestling in his first varsity meet of the season, knew that he had to win. The match was pretty even through two periods, but Shetty pulled away in the third to win 10-5. Andy Gossard had another strong performance, dominating his

WRESTLING PULLS OFF BIG WINS OVER CHOATE, WILBRAHAM & MONSON; HEAVYWEIGHT BRANCACCIO '00 WINS FINAL MATCH TO DECIDE VICTORY

opponent and ultimately pinning him early in the third period to increase the Andover lead to 29-18.

The next match was also a great one. Hatanaka, wrestling for just the second time in his career, faced a tough Wilbraham and Monson opponent. Yosuke has a background as a black belt in judo, which proved to be a great asset late in the match. Hatanaka, plagued by lack of experience, could not mange to score any points through two periods. At the start of the third period, the score was 13-0 and if Hatanaka was taken down once more, he would lose by a technical fall. However, he managed to catch his opponent off guard and saw a golden opportunity to utilize his judo skills. He used a hip throw to take his opponent down to his back and pinned him soon thereafter, giving him a win and Andover a 35-18 lead. Following the next two matches, Andover had guaranteed victory with the score 35-27 with one match left. In the final match, in the heavyweight class (275 lb.), Brancaccio faced a much heavier wrestler. The first period went scoreless, but in the middle of the second period, down 2-1, Brancaccio put his opponent on his back giving Andover the 41-27 win with a final authoritative pin.With these two strong wins, the Andover team is on the right track to its ultimate goal of becoming New England Champions. After placing second last year, the team returns this season with intentions to win. When asked to comment on the season ahead of the team, co-captain Adam Jonas said, "After these wins, teams will have their sights set on us. We have to keep up our momentum and use it to get stronger as the season progresses." Andover faces Deerfield, Tilton, PCD, and Hyde in a five team meet this Saturday. Matches will begin at 2:00 PM in Borden Gym.

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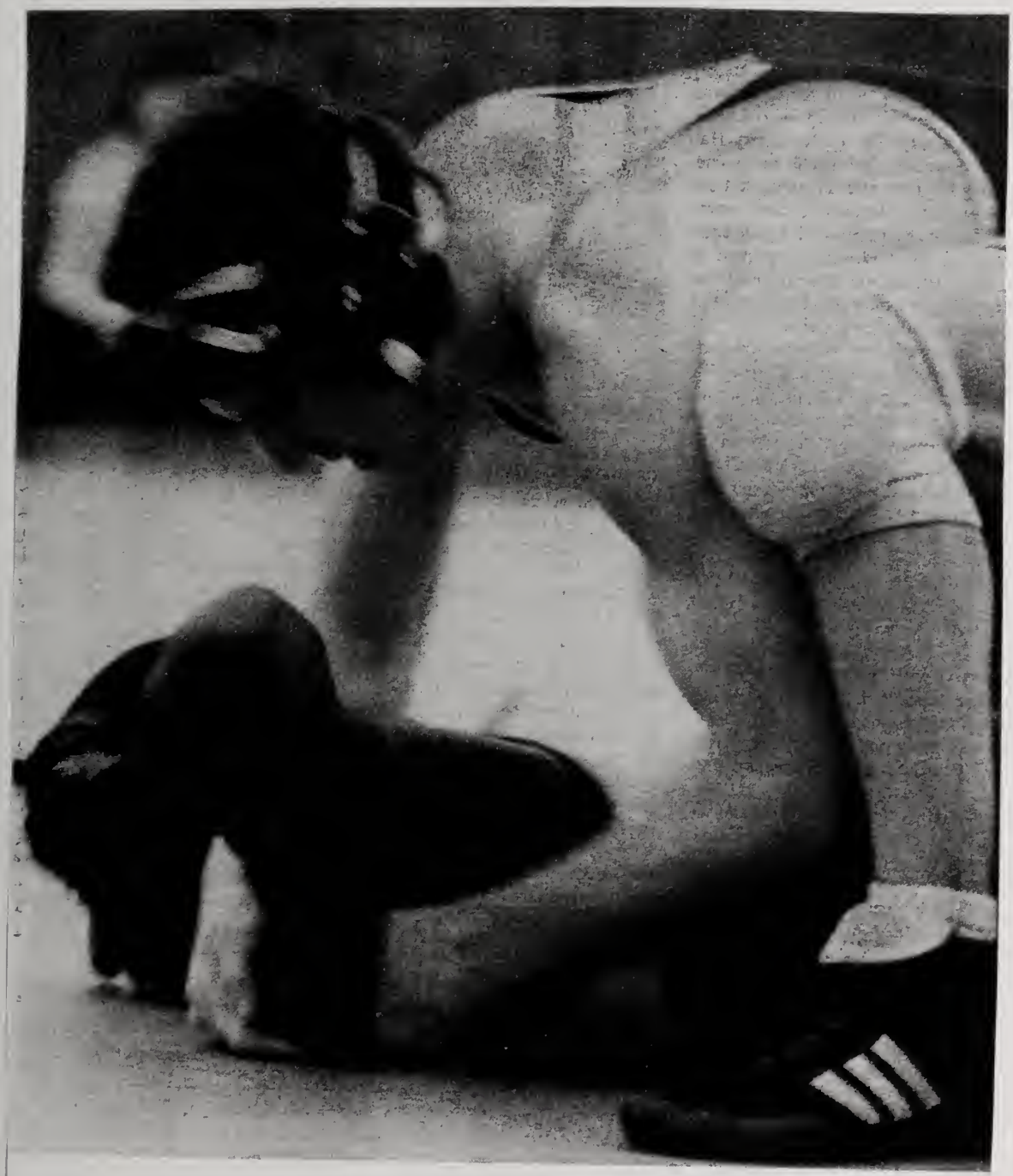
Wrestling Co-Captain Sean Murphy '00, wrestling in the 125-pound weight class, pulled off a close victory Wednesday over his Wilbraham& Monson opponent.



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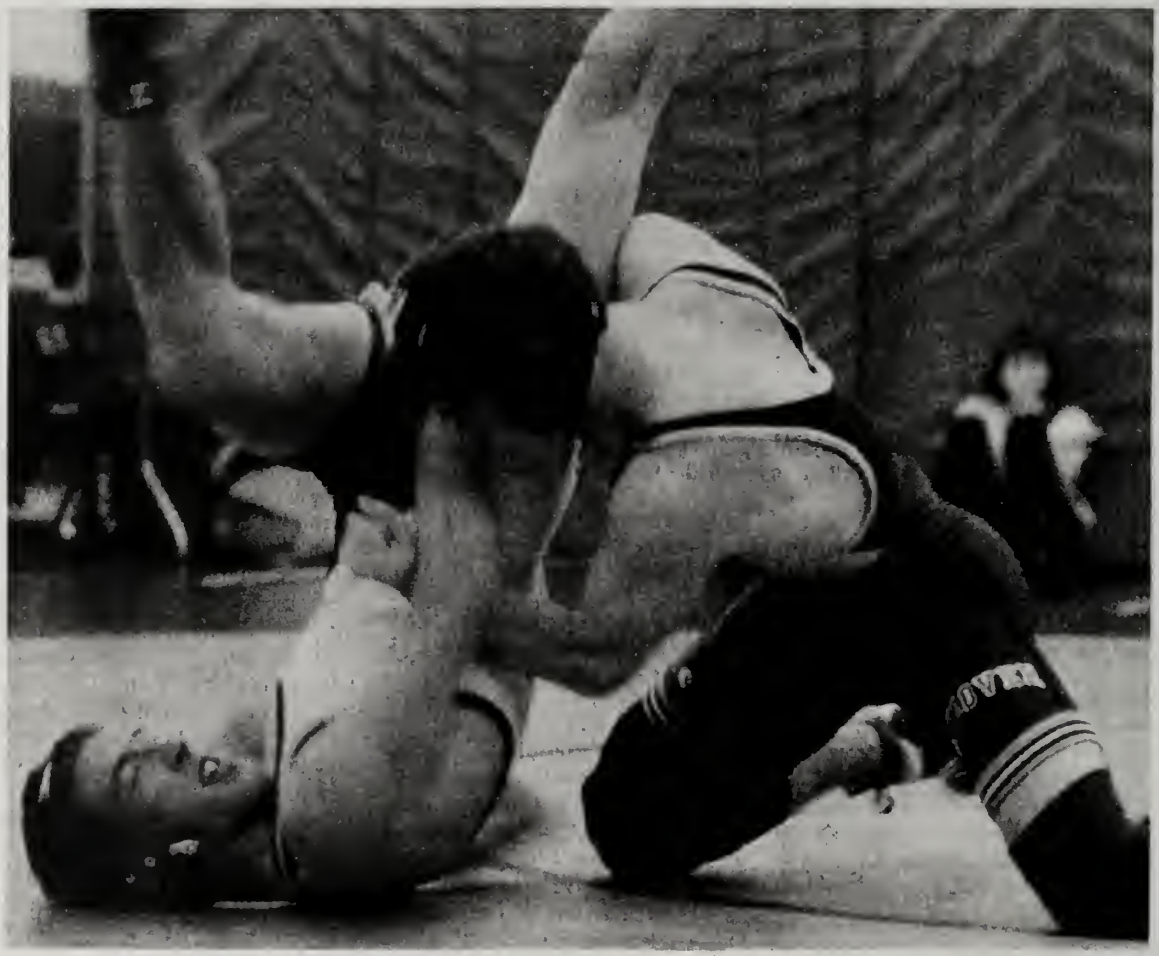
Wrestling Co-Captain Adam Jonas '00 pins his opponent to the mat with ease.



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Sean Murphy '00 slams his opponent to the floor.

Undefeated Wrestling Starts Season With 9 Straight Wins

Andover	51
Deerfield	22
Andover	62
PCD	15
Andover	55
Tilton	9
Andover	66
Hyde	18

by Harry Boileau
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Last week, Andover wrestling achieved its first major goal of the season with a resounding 41-27 defeat over Wilbraham & Monson, the second ranked team in the Class A League. The team's record was suddenly 3-0, but in the words of Co-Captain Adam Jonas '00, "7-0 is a whole lot better than 3-0." At home on Saturday, Andover's wrestlers were given a chance to turn that intent into reality when they went up against Deerfield, Providence Country Day, Hyde and Tilton.

The first and, without a doubt, closest match of the day was against the boys from Deerfield. After a forfeit at the 103 lb. weight class, Phil Caruso '03, took the mat as one of Andover's two juniors who have wrestled varsity matches this year. Caruso's opponent, however, was the number one ranked 112 lb. wrestler in the league. After a hard fought match, the team score read 10-0, Deerfield.

Looking for a spark to ignite this explosive team, Andover looked no farther than Dan Shvartsman '02. Shvartsman took the mat in the 119lb. weight class. With two quick takedowns, Shvartsman was up 6-2 at the end of the first period. Shvartsman then elevated his wrestling to pin his opponent in the second period.

With this new found momentum, Andover began to roll with an excellent display from Co-Captain Sean Murphy '00. Murphy (125 lb.) knew that he needed to obtain the six team points for a pin. He did just that as he took his opponent down directly to his back in the first period for the pin.

After Andover forfeited the 130 lb. class, Justin Pytka '00 (135 lb.) was ready to wrestle. This was an extremely hard fought match by Pytka. At the end of three periods, the score was tied 4-4 and headed for overtime. Overtime is sudden death; the first takedown wins. Pytka was the aggressor from the start and soon after took his opponent down. But he did not stop there. Pytka exerted the utmost effort all the way to an overtime pin, earning six much needed team points.

The score was 18-16 in favor of Andover when Jonas (140 lb.) began his match. In the first period, Jonas toyed with his opponent, taking him down and then proceeding to let him up so that he could take him once again straight to the mat. This continued into the third period until the score was 15-4 in Jonas' favor. Jonas finished his opponent off with a pin and six more team points.

LeChristian Steptoe '00 (145lb.) took the mat in his usual silent, but intense manner. Steptoe was diligent in his work, and after two periods he was ahead 2-1. He chose the bottom position and promptly reversed his opponent for the final score of 4-1.

Ashish Shetty '00 (152lb.) is always a crowd favorite on the wrestling mat and adds a great amount of comic relief to the sometimes stuffy bench. Shetty faced a very tough opponent and suffered a tough defeat. This match was followed by Andy Gossard '00 (160lb.). Gossard looked sharp as always, dominating his opponent to a 13-2 lead, before pinning his opponent and clinching the win by team points in the meet.

Then came Yosuke Hatanaka '00 (171lb.).Having yet to master a full repetoire of wrestling skills, Hatanaka

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Wrestling Topples Six Opponents in One Week

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Andover	**54**
Tabor	**21**

Andover	**60**
Worcester	**18**

fell 8-10, but he is surely going to be a very valuable asset to this year's team.

Deerfield forfeited the final three weight classes to Andover's Josh Aisenberg '00 (189 lb.), Billy Brancaccio '00 (215 lb.), and to Kevin Sinclair '01 (275 lb.) The final score of the match left Andover victorious 51-22.

The next team Andover faced was Providence Country Day. After a forfeit at 103 lb., Andover was off to a quick lead thanks to a stong performance by Pawan Deshpande '0 (112 lb.) '03, a forfeit taken by Lower phenom, Shvartsman (119 lb.), and a dominant 15-6 victory from Murphy (125 lb.).

Andover accepted several more forfeits, and by the time Steptoe (145 lb.) was about to wrestle, the team score was 21-15 in favor of Andover. Steptoe utterly destroyed his opponent to a technical pin with a final score of 17-1. This was followed by 2 more Providence forfeits. Hatanaka (171 lb.) was next to come. Hatanaka dominated his opposition from the start. He continued to a 17-5 lead before pinning his opponent.

Peter Myers '01 (189 lb.) began his first varsity appearance of the season with a bang. Meyers obtained a first period pin and has walked a little taller since. The final two matches were forfeits by Providence and the final match score was 61-15 in favor of Andover.

The third match of the day was against the Hyde School of Bath, Maine. Hyde forfetied the first three weight classes, followed by another massive 18-6 victory from Murphy (125 lb.). Forfeits were exchanged in the 130 lb. and 135 lb. weight classes. Jonas (140 lb.) showed his talent for takedowns once again as he lead his opponent 7-1 before he earned a pin in the second period.

Charlie Alovisetti '01 (145 lb.) began his varsity season by getting out to a quick 3-0 lead before pinning his opponent in the second period. At this point, Andover lead the team score 42-12. Shetty (152) pinned his Hyde opponent in 35 seconds.

Gossard (160 lb.), possibly in an attempt to outdue his teammate, Shetty, pinned his opponent in 40 seconds.

Hatanaka (171 lb.) faced Hyde's defending Class A Champion, Mike Maine. Hatanaka displayed a valiant effort, but it was no match for Maine. The match ended witch three Hyde forfeits and an Andover victory of 72-18.

Andover's final opponent of the afternoon was Tilton, a small boarding school in New Hampshire. Tilton did not have a large team and thus the match was filled with forfeits up and down the line. There were strong personal demonstrations, such as a first period pin by Shvartsman, a 16-0 win by Murphy (125 lb.), and a second period pin by Jonas (140 lb.) The final score left Andover on top 55-9. Before Saturday, Andover was 4-0. By the end of the afternoon, the team was 7-0. By the end of Wednesday afternoon, with solid victories over Tabor 54-21 and Worcester 60-18, Andover wrestling was 9-0. 7-0 is a whole lot better than 4-0. 9-0 is a whole lot better than 7-0. Andover will travel to Belmont, Massachusetts to face Belmont Hill and New Hampton on Saturday. The team is confident going into the matches and is looking forward to putting on a few more wins on its record. As we all know, 11-0 is a whole lot better than 9-0.

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Justin Pytka '00, wrestling in the 135-lb. weight class, went on to pin this Deerfield opponent

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Ashish Shetty '00 prepares to grapple with his Deerfield opponent in Saturday's match.

Wrestling Loses First Three Meets of Season; Injuries Leave Holes in Roster, Causing Forfeits

by Eric Seo
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Loomis	36
Andover	31
New Hampton	37
Andover	31
Andover	44
Belmont Hill	26
North Andover High	40
Andover	20

This past weekend Andover participated in a quad-meet against three very tough teams, Loomis-Chaffee, New Hampton, and Belmont Hill. Without wrestlers in the 103, 130, and 135 pound weight classes, Andover gave up 18 points. In the Loomis match, the team wrestled hard with a particularly good performance by Dan Shvartsman'02, who beat Alex Kozman, a wrestler who defeated him last year. However, the outcome was a 31-36 loss. In the second and third matches, Andover wrestled New Hampton and Belmont Hill. The team lost to a strong New Hampton team 31-37 and defeated Belmont Hill 44-26. From the close scores, it is clear that had Andover not forfeited three matches, it probably could have won.

The North Andover meet has always been one of the toughest and most exciting of the season. This Wednesday's meet was no different. Andover, plagued by injuries, was without two of the team's best wrestlers, Andy Gosssard '00 (undefeated at 160 lbs.) and Billy Brancaccio '00. This made the task ahead of the team more difficult than it already was.

Pawan Deshpande '02 (112 lb.) was the first Andover wrestler to take the mat. He jumped out to an early 4-0 lead, but late in the second period, his opponent reversed him and put him on his back, taking the lead 4-6. The third period started with the two wrestlers in the neutral position, and Deshpande quickly took a shot and tied the match up at 6-6. However, late in the period, his opponent reversed again, and won the match, 8-6, giving North Andover a 0-3 lead.

Next to wrestle was Shvartsman (119 lb.). After losing a tough match against the defending New England public school champ this weekend, Shvartsman came into this match looking for redemption. He came out strong in the first period, which ended with the score in his favor, 10-4. He continued his dominance through three periods and twelve takedowns and one escape later, he won the match by a technical fall, 25-10.

Sean Murphy '00 (125 lb.) went up next against one of North Andover's toughest wrestlers, Roberto Concepcion. The match was even through the first period with neither wrestler scoring. In the second period, Concepcion was able to escape from Murphy and took a 0-1 lead. Following a questionable take down and escape Murphy was down 1-4. Murphy wrestled hard till the end, ultimately losing the match 3-8.

Aldun Andre '03, in the 130 pound match, wrestled hard, but was pinned in the second period. Justin Pytka '00, coming back from a one-week absence, wrestled next at 135 pounds. Pytka and his opponent wrestled evenly through one and a half periods, but late in the second period, with the score tied at 6-6, Pytka made his move. He put his opponent on his back and nearly pinned him before the end of the period, making the score 9-6. Pytka dominated the rest of the match and eventually won 13-7, cutting North Andover's lead to 8-12.

Adam Jonas '00 (140 lb.) wrestled next against the number one ranked wrestler in Massachusetts, Gary Armene. Jonas wrestled tough for the first period, finishing it down by only two points. However, Armene's strength and five inch height advantage soon began to take its toll. Jonas wrestled hard to the end, but ended up losing the match.

LeChristian Steptoe '00 (145 lb.) took to the mat next. "The Toe" dominated his opponent from the start and pinned him late in the first period to bring Andover within two points in the team match.

The 152-pound match was next featuring Andover's Ashish Shetty '00. Shetty and his opponent wrestled to a scoreless tie through two periods. In the third period, Shetty started from the up position, but was called for a locked hands penalty, giving his opponent a 0-1 lead. The North Andover wrestler then escaped and took a 0-2 lead. Shetty knew that he had little time to win the match, and with a sudden burst of energy, took his opponent down and put him on his back to take a 4-2 lead with about 30 seconds left. Knowing that his opponent was good from the bottom position, Shetty let him up. However, with fifteen seconds left, his opponent was able to capitalize on a head throw, and won the match 4-8.

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With the undefeated Andy Gossard '00 out, Tyson Reist '01 wrestled in the 160 pound competition. Reist wrestled hard but was unable to defeat his opponent, and lost 2-6. Yosuke Hatanaka '00 wrestled next at 171 pounds. Hatanaka came out hard with a foot sweep, but was not able to capitalize on it to score any points. The first period went scoreless, but early in the second period Yosuke gave North Andover a taste of its own medicine. North Andover is known to specialize in head throws. However, Hatanaka, a black belt in Judo, was also a master at this move. He flipped his opponent and after a little maneuvering, pinned his North Andover foe, bringing Andover within two points again.

Peter Myers '01 was the next Andover wrestler, at 189 pounds. Myers wrestled hard throughout the match, almost pinning his opponent. However, late in the second period, he was caught off guard and pinned. Josh Aisenberg '00 came into the 215 pound match knowing that he needed a win to keep Andover in it. Wrestling up from 189 pounds, he also knew that his opponent would have a significant weight advantage over him. However, Aisenberg wrestled evenly with his opponent, controlling most of the match. After two periods of hard wrestling, the score was tied at six a piece. In the third period, Aisenberg went on the offensive again. He took down his opponent and got him on his back. The referee missed what looked to be a pin, and the North Andover wrestler was able to capitalize on this second chance by reversing and pinning Aisenberg. Kevin Sinclair wrestled hard in the final match of the meet at 275 pounds, but was not able to win the match. The final score in the meet was 20-40 in favor of North Andover.

Wrestling Rebounds from Losses With Big Wins Over NMH, BB&N

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Andover	36
NMH	30

Andover	61
BB&N	12

Following its three losses last week, the Andover wrestling team traveled to Northfield Mount Herman Friday night intending to make up for its losses. NMH was ranked second in the class A division, but knew that a win would be difficult to attain.

After a forfeit at the 103-pound weight class and a pin at 112-pound weight class, Dan Shvartsman '02 took the mat with the Big Blue down 0-12. Shvartsman manhandled his opponent and eventually won by tech fall to gain five points for the Blue.

Sean Murphy '00 wrestled next against a somewhat psychotic opponent, Igor Krasnoff, in the 125-pound weight class. Murphy wrestled well and outlasted his BreatheRite-wearing opponent, winning the close match and bringing Andover within four points in the match. Next to wrestle was Aldun Andre '03 at the 130-pound weight class. Andre, in his first year wrestling, has had some difficulty at the varsity level. His inexperience showed through the first two periods of his match, and he found himself in a 2-11 hole going into the third. However, Andre, refusing to give up, managed to flip and reverse his opponent, pinning him with a half nelson. This was not only Andre's first win and pin, but was clearly the turning point in the match.

Following two more excellent performances by Justin Pytka '00 (135 lb.) and Adam Jonas '00 (140 lb.), Andover had built a ten point lead. However, although the Andover wrestlers in the 145-pound and 152-pound weight classes fought hard, they could not win, and the match was nearly even again. Andy Gossard '00, in the 160-pound match, continued his dominance in the weight class, winning to stay undefeated for the season. Currently ranked second in Class A's, Gossard will go up against the number one wrestler, Muhammad Keita of New Hampton, on Saturday.

The next three matches brought one loss and two wins for Andover, which set the match at an even tie 30-30 with one match to go. Billy Brancaccio '00 stepped up to the mat, knowing that the outcome of the match depended on him. The pressure seemed to have no effect on Brancaccio and, in under a minute, he pinned his opponent and won the match for Andover. After the match Brancaccio said, "I just wanted to win. I went out with the intent to 'rip his arms out.' I guess it worked."

Following the huge win over NMH, the Big Blue wrestling team hoped to go without a loss for the week. It did just that Wednesday after-

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Wrestling Doesn't Lose A Match Versus BB&N

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noon against Buckingham Brown & Nichols. Following a forfeit at the 103 weight class, Pawan Deshpande '03 (112 lb.) took the mat to wrestle for Andover. With a quick shot, Deshpande took his opponent to the mat and put him on his back, pinning him moments later.

After two offsetting forfeits at the 119 and 125 pound weight classes, Andre stepped up to wrestle. Andre, having come off his first win and pin in the very important NMH match, hoped to gain another win. After a period and a half of even wrestling, Andre started to take control. He nearly pinned his opponent at the end of the second period, but time expired. In the third period, Andre was able to elude his opponent's attempts to come back from the 9-4 deficit and won the match 9-8.

Adam Jonas '00 (140 lb.) was the next wrestler following a forfeit by BB&N at a135 lb. match. Jonas tooled his opponent for three periods and, in the beginning of the third, locked his opponent's torso with his legs, and put his shoulders to the mat, gaining a pin and six points for the team. LeChristian Steptoe '00 took to the mat next against BB&N's captain in the 145-pound match. Steptoe dominated his opponent for the entire match and won 15-6, giving Andover a 30-12 lead. Ashish Shetty '00 also dominated his opponent in the 152-pound match, picking him up numerous times. He won the match 12-5. After a 160-lb. forfeit, Andover's lead was 40-12.

Yosuke Hatanaka '00 (171 lb.) wrestled next. His opponent came out hard from the start, and tried to use sweeps and head throws on Hatanaka, to no avail. Hatanaka was successful in using the head throw twice and won the match 9-5. The last three matches went by very quickly with pins by Josh Aisenberg '00 and Kevin Sinclair '01 and a forfeit by BB&N at 275 pounds. The final score in the match was 61-12.

Andover was able to bounce back this week and is again on the winning track. This weekend Andover will face New Hampton, Moses Brown, and Milton, three tough teams.

In addition, this weekend, Harry Boileau '02, a wrestling standout from last year, may return for his first match of the season.

Boileau has been out due to a fractured back, and should be a great asset to the team, especially when tournament time rolls around.

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Adam Jonas '00 went 2-0 on the week with a tech-fall against NMH last Friday and a pin over this BB& N opponent on Wednesday.

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Wrestling defeated Brooks, Moses Brown, Milton, and New Hampton this past week. Next, they prepare for Interschols, a week from today.

D. Kurs/ *The Phillipian*

Ashish Shetty '00 manhandles his BB&N opponent in the 152-pound match Wednesday.

Pytka and Brancaccio Set School Pin Record; Seniors' Nine-Second Victories Are Quickest Ever

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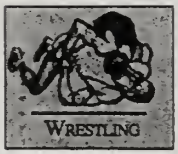
Milton	31

Andover	43
Brooks	27



With the Class A tournament coming up in a week and a half, the Andover wrestling team hoped to win the rest of its meets in order to have the momentum it needs to win the tournament. This past Saturday, the blue had three matches against Milton, Moses Brown, and New Hampton. The first match was against Milton. The Andover boys wrestled hard and won the meet 43-31, starting off the day as they had wanted. The men in Blue performed just as well in their second meet and defeated Moses Brown.

Having two wins in the bag, Andover was set to face a New Hampton team that had defeated the blue earlier in the season. Plagued by injuries in the prior meet, the now strong and healthy team hoped to gain a win.

Following a 103 pound forfeit by Andover, Harry Boileau '02 stepped to the match in the 112 lb. weight class. Boileau, returning for his first match since last year, was pumped and ready to go. After two and a half periods of domination, Boileau was finally able to pin his opponent.

The next match was one of the day's best. Dan Shvartsman '02 wrestled Phil Halil in the 119 lb. match. In their last meeting Halil reversed Shvartsman and was able to pin him. Shvartsman hoped that a similar outcome would not occur again. In the first period both wrestlers fought hard, with Shvartsman coming out with a 2-1 lead. After an optional start at the beginning of the second, the score was tied at 2-2. Halil then took down Shvartsman, but was not able to keep him on the mat, ending the period with a 3-4 lead. The third period began with an optional start, notching the match at 4-4. Shvartsman then took his chances with a shot. However, Halil was able to spin off of the shot to get the two points, giving him a 4-6 lead with very little time to go. After another optional start the match score was 5-6, but time expired before Shvartsman could do anything, giving Halil the victory 5-6, and New Hampton a 6-9 lead.

After a forfeit at the 125 pound weight class a unique 130 lb. match took place. Kelsey Siepser '02, one of Andover's two female wrestlers, faced another female from NMH. Siepser started off the match down 0-4, but battled back to bring the match to 2-4 at the close of the first period. Siepser was not able to gain any more ground in the second period, and was down 4-8 going into the third. Siepser wrestled hard, and late in the period, tied the match at 9-9. However, the NMH wrestler was able to take Siepser down with very little time left, giving her the win 9-11.

The 135 pound match was a quick one. Justin Pytka '00, sprawled on his opponent's poor shot, and pinned him with a chancellery in nine seconds. This pin set the new record for fastest pin by a PA wrestler, which was previously set at 10 seconds.

Adam Jonas '00, then wrestled hard in his match(140 lb.) against the second ranked wrestler in New England, but was unable to pull out a victory. LeChristian Steptoe '00, in the 145 pound weight class, dominated his opponent winning 19-8, bringing Andover within one point of New Hampton 18-19.

Ashish Shetty '00, in the 152 lb. match, dominated his opponent, winning 13-5 and regaining the lead for Andover 21-19. The next match was also one of the most anticipated of the day. Andy Gossard '00, undefeated 160 lb. wrestler went up against the number one 160 lb. wrestler in New England, Mohammed Keita. In the prior meet against New Hampton, Keita was injured, so this was the first meeting of the two. Keita a very strong and very fast opponent came out hard from the start, taking down Gossard for an early 0-2 lead. Gossard managed to escape this and another of Keita's takedowns, ending the first period in a 2-4 deficit. The second period was mostly Keita, who took down Gossard two more times giving him a 4-8 lead going into the third period. Gossard wrestled hard till the end of the match, but the mismatch in size and speed was too much for him, and he suffered his first loss of the season 8-16.

In the 171, 189, 215 matches, Yosuke Hatanaka '00, Josh Aisenberg '00, and Kevin Sinclair '01, won giving Andover a sure victory with one

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D. Kurs/ *The Phillipian*

Heavyweight Josh Aisenberg '00 grapples with his Brooks opponent in the opening moments of their match, which Aisenberg would go on to lose 1-3 in overtime

Wrestling Sweeps Meets

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match left to go. Billy Brancaccio '00, stepped up knowing that he wanted to end the match and the long day of wrestling as quickly as possible. Right from the start, he picked up his 275 lb. opponent and laid him down on the mat pinning him in nine seconds, equaling the record set by Pytka earlier in the match. When both wrestlers were asked for comment about breaking the record, both produced the same response, "It was pretty cool."

Brooks

Wednesday afternoon the Andover wrestling team faced a very good Brooks team. It was a close match at first, but eventually the Andover team was able to pull away winning the match 43-27. Harry Boileau '02(112. Lb.), in his second match of the season, dominated his opponent once again, winning with a pin. Dan Shvartsman '02(119 lb.)wrestled a very good wrestler, Charlie Sefert. However, Shvartsman's shot was too much for Sefert, giving the win to Shvartsman 16-10. Co-captain Sean Murphy '00(125 lb.) also dominated his opponent with a 16-2 win.

In other significant matches Justin Pytka '00(135 lb.) won with a 29 second pin and Andy Gossard '00(160 lb.) defeated Hal Aisuch, a wrestler he lost to last year in a close and well wrestled match 9-5. Josh Aisenberg also wrestled tough in a very long match, that was decided in overtime. However, Aisenberg was unable to capitalize on a shot in OT, and lost a heartbreaker 1-3. Billy Brancaccio '00(215 lb.) and Kevin Sinclair '01(275 lb.), also pinned their opponents.

This week Andover will prepare for the most anticipated match of the season, Exeter. The boys face their rivals in red tights on Wednesday February 16. Also coming up is the Class A tournament, which will be held at Phillips Academy on Saturday, February, 19.

Wrestling Pinned By Strong Exeter Squad; Andover To Host Interscholastics This Weekend

by Eric Seo
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Exeter	**38**
Andover	**27**

Wednesday afternoon, the Andover wrestling team traveled to that wonderful school in the middle of nowhere to wrestle its biggest rival, Exeter. Our men in singlets were ready to defeat their oponnents in red tights, and came into the meet fired up. The Exeter team is currently ranked number-one in Class A, so a win over the Griffins would have proven key. This match has always been one of the most exciting of the season, and this year's was no exception.

The Exeter wrestlers stepped onto the mat with a look in their eyes that said "Redrum," and the match began. PA's lack of a 103 lb. wrestler gave Exeter the early 6-0 lead. The next match featured Andover's Harry Boileau '02(112 lb.) against the number-one 112 lb. wrestler in Class A, Lars Ojukwu.

Ojukwu had recently tech-falled the former top-ranked wrestler, so Boileau was expecting a very difficult match. He felt out his opponent in the first period, and in the second went on the attack. He was in control for the rest of the match, and went on to win 4-1. Boileau will go into this weekend's tournament seeded number-one at his weight class.

Dan Shvartsman '02 wrestled next in the 119 lb. match. As he has in almost all of his matches this season, he dominated his opponent, and eventually pinned him to put Andover up 9-6. Co-captain Sean Murphy '00 also won his match easily at the 125 lb. weight class.

After losses in the 130 lb. and 135 lb. weight classes, Andover was trailing 9-15. Co-captain Adam Jonas '00 brought Andover within three after winning his match against a fairly difficult Exeter opponent. However, the team was unable to maintain any momentum from the win and lost the next two matches.

One of the losses came after a hard fought match by Andover wrestler Ashish Shetty '00(152 lb.). Although Shetty wrestled tough, his opponent, Mick Foley, was just able to squeak out a win at the end of the match.

The next match was a truly great one, featuring Andy Gossard '00(160 lb.) taking on a Class A-ranked wrestler. After a somewhat even match at the start, Gossard was able to take over. He took down his Exeter foe, and eventually pinned him to earn six points for the team.

Andover was once again unable to keep up its steam , losing three of the final four matches, with the win coming from Billy Brancaccio '00 (215 lb.). Brancaccio defeated an inferior Exeter wrestler, Steve Austin, with a pin in the second period. The day ended with a somewhat disappointing final score of 38-27 in favor of the Griffins.

This Saturday the Borden Gym will play host to the Class A Tournament . This meet will feature many ranked and unranked Andover wrestlers.

For the unranked wrestlers in particular, placing will be crucial for qualification into the New England tournament.

Action recommences early Saturday morning, and will continue late into the afternoon. Andover goes in with hopes to repeat as Class A Champion. The Blue's biggest obstacle will be Exeter. When asked about the loss and its effect going into the tournament, Co-Captain Adam Jonas '00 replied,

"This loss has made us realize that greater focus with a mentality that losing is not an option is crucial if we hope to repeat as champions." Co-captain Sean Murphy added,

"We'll go in with everything we've got. We know we can win. 200% effort or more, nothing less."

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Boileau, Murphy Capture NE Titles; Wrestling Falls Short of Championship, Finishing Third

by Charlie Alovisetti
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Last Saturday, Phillips Academy hosted the Class-A Wrestling Tournament to determine the placing of the seventeen schools from the Class-A league. By day's end, Exeter had won, followed by WMA, PA, NMH, New Hampton, Loomis, Deerfield, Tabor, Choate, Moses, PCD, Hyde-CT, Hyde-ME, Worcester, Tilton, Proctor, and KUA.

Andover placed eight wrestlers in the tournament, including Harry Boileau '02, who placed first at the 112 lb.weight class; Dan Shvartsman '02, second at 119; Co-Captain Sean Murphy '00, first at 125; Justin Pytka '00, fifth at 135; Co-Captain Adam Jonas '00, third at 140; Andy Gossard '00, second at 160; Josh Aisenberg '00, third at 189; and Billy Brancaccio '00, who came in third at 215 lb. Clinton Graham, wrestling at 189 for Worcester Academy, won the award for most pins in the least time. He wrestled for a total of 1:08 during the entire tournament. Phil Kerin, who wrestled 140 for New Hampton, won the outstanding wrestler award.

Phillips Academy has not had a 103 lb. wrestler all year, leaving this weight class empty in the tournament. Boileau wrestled at 112. He had just come off a serious back injury and had needed to wear a brace. The previous Wednesday, he had defeated the number-one ranked wrestler, Lars Ojukwu, during a dual meet against Exeter.

He turned in a repeat performance on Saturday, besting Ojukwu in the finals 6-4. At 119 wrestled Shvartsman, ranked second in the tournament. He had little difficulty until he faced Phil Kalil, a New Hampton PG, in the finals. After a hard-fought match, Shvartsman fell to the talented Kalil 16-5, finishing second in the weight class.

Wrestling at 125 was co-captain Murphy, ranked second in the league. After pinning one opponent, tech-falling another, and besting a third 6-2 he won his finals contest 5-0. Next, at 130, was Aldun Andre, a freshman wrestling for the first time.

He was not ranked, and though he wrestled hard, was not able to place. Justin Pytka, ranked third at 135 coming in, lost a tough match to a Loomis wrestler in the first round, but fought back in his bracket and placed fifth in the tournament. Jonas, the team's other co-captain, wrestled at 140.

He entered the tournament ranked third and placed third, behind tough competition from last year's runner-up at 140, George Waterman, and Phil Kerin, a PG from New Hampton and winner of the tournament's outstanding wrestler award. LeChristian Steptoe '00, ranked seventh, wrestled at 145, and like Jonas faced tough competition in his weight class but was unable to place.

Ashish Shetty '00 wrestled at 152 for Andover and entered as the fifth-ranked wrestler in the league. Shetty wrestled hard in two closely contested match-ups, but was unable to place. Coming into the tournament ranked second, Gossard competed at 160. Before the finals, Gossard pinned two of his opponents and beat another with a tech-fall. In the finals, he faced Mohamed Keita from New Hampton, losing 12-5 in a tough battle.

At 171 wrestled Yosuke Hatanaka '00 who, after a first round victory, had to face the first-ranked wrestler at his weight class, Mike Mayne. Hatanaka fought back hard in his consolation matches but was unable to place. Although slated seventh at 189, Aisenberg, who placed third, upset the fifth-ranked wrestler in 2:12 in the semi-finals. Aisenberg also shared his weight class with the exceedingly muscular Clinton Graham, who won his match in the finals in just 10 seconds.

Brancaccio, at 215, also surpassed expectations, placing third despite entering a fifth-place seed. In the semi-finals he overcame Choate's third-ranked Ian McLaughlin 4-3. Finally, Kevin Sinclair '01, who wrestled hard at the 275 lb. level although he weighed in at 215, lost his two matches against heavier opponents.

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WRESTLING SENDS FIVE TO NATIONALS

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The squad placed third overall in the tournament, behind Exeter's traditionally strong team and Wilbraham-Munson.

Last weekend, Andover's top wrestlers made the long trip to Lehigh, Pennsylvania to compete in the National Prep Tournament. As a team, Andover's squad of Dan Shvartsman (112), Sean Murphy (119), Adam Jonas (135), Andy Gossard (16), and Billy Brancaccio (215) placed thirtieth out of 122 teams and beat all the teams from the Class-A league except New Hampton. Once again, Blair Academy of New Jersey won the tournament, scoring more points than the second- and third-place teams combined.

Individually, Shvartsman won his first two matches, then lost to the two-time-defending national champion. He fought back and placed seventh, earning him All-American honors.

Both Jonas and Murphy came within one match of placing in the Tournament. Gossard was 1-1 for the day and Brancaccio lost his first match.

With young talent, notably Boileau and Shvartsman, both lowers, who placed first and second, respectively, at the Class-A tournament, returning to the team next year, the squad looks forward to build on its strong showings at both the Class-A and the National Tournament.

Athlete Of The Week

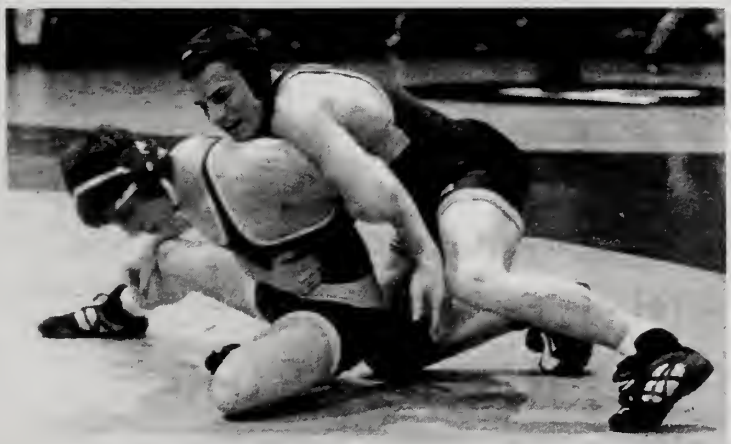
Andy Gossard '00

"Gossard wrestles. Gossard wins. Not much more I can say."
—Tyson Reist '01

by Diana Dosik
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS ASSOCIATE

Andrew Gossard '00 is having the wrestling season of his life this year. In 18 matches, he has lost only two contests, both to the same opponent, and has managed to capture second place at the league tournament last Saturday. A four-year PA wrestler and two-year member of the varsity squad, Gossard is an athlete whose performance on the mats has been consistently excellent, day in and day out.

After attending Bancroft School and Doherty Middle School in Andover, Gossard decided to apply to PA. Andy began his wrestling career during his junior year here. "I was going to play squash, but I thought wrestling would be more exciting," Gossard reminisced. "Mr. Effinger," he said, referring to his varsity coach, "also encouraged me to join the team." Gossard's parents supported his change of heart, carting Andy's 11-year-old sister to every match, "home and away," from freshman year on.



A well-rounded athlete, Gossard played fullback in soccer his first two years at Andover and competed in lacrosse through last spring. Wrestling, however, was "the only sport I really loved," according to Gossard. For that reason, he ultimately decided to focus on wrestling and hold off on interscholastic sports in the spring.

Despite a traumatizing tryout in 1996, neither Andy's passion for wrestling nor his desire to be a member of the team subsided. Slated to wrestle the fierce soon-to-be-captain Mo Kagan '98, Gossard began his career with a bloody nose coming off a Kagan elbow jab. While Gossard retreated to find first aid, Kagan simply advised him, "Don't put your head there."

Putting the event behind him, Gossard worked hard on his wrestling and achieved Varsity status during his upper year. Although his actual weight was ten pounds lighter, Gossard wrestled at 171, a level at which he faced intra-team competition.

"There really is no 'Varsity team', but the best person in each weight class wrestles at the varsity level," he said. "There were guys at the 160 lb. level whom I couldn't beat, but I could compete at the 171 lb. level." Gossard faced challenges wrestling in this group and was often defeated by his larger opponents. He believes that he truly improved from the intense matchups and is much more at ease this season in his appropriate weight class.

As well as his current season is going, Gossard did point out that no season could possibly match last year's, when Andover's most winning team in 25 years took the championship, defeating Exeter for the first time in 16 years. Nevertheless, he is enjoying every moment of his senior wrestling season and holds "nothing but respect and admiration" for his teammates.

He attributes much of his success to coaches Mark Effinger, Rich Gorham, and Bing Sung, without whom he said he "would not necessarily have been able to stick with wrestling." Gossard became convinced of the excellence of his Andover coaches after attending summer wrestling camps during his lower year, when he worked with some coaches whom he called "less than great."

Gossard also paid tribute to his mentor, former captain Jeremy Hersch '99, who took on the inexperienced freshman as his drill partner. "He didn't have to do that," Gossard said. "He could have drilled with someone much more skilled and closer to his level, but he helped me and taught me most of what I know."

Along with many team wins and personal victories, Gossard recalls two particularly tough matches, one against Deerfield his lower year, and the second just this season, against the number one 160 lb. wrestler Mohammed Keita from New Hampton. During the season and in the Class-A finals, Gossard lost close matches to Keita, but hoped to overcome his inveterate adversary at the National Preparatory Tournament last weekend. Unfortunately, neither Gossard nor Keita advanced far enough to meet each other. The earlier loss occurred when PA wrestler Max Sung '99 injured his wrist two years ago. Gossard was temporarily promoted to varsity for the match against Deerfield. Despite fear of injury, "the match was incredibly close." Down 4-5 with 30 seconds left in the final period, Gossard escaped from the bottom to tie, and then took his opponent down in the final moments to win 7-5.

Off the mats, Gossard particularly enjoys music and theater. He has been an active participant in concert and jazz bands until this year and plays the drums in the rock band *Icarus*, and played the lead role in the fall Drama Lab Production of *God*.

Looking ahead to the future, the wrestling champ applied to Brown University, the University of Michigan, Harvard University, the University of Pennsylvania, the University of California at Berkeley, and Northwestern University, although he is leaning towards the first two schools.

He does not plan to wrestle in college, acknowledging that the intense athletic programs in these Division 1 schools would potentially detract from his academics.

Gossard and his teammates finished out their season at the National Prep Tournament held in Pennsylvania last weekend. Although Gossard only won his first match, he helped the team to a laudable 30th place finish (out of 122) against superb national competition. Exeter, which had beaten Andover at the Class-A Tournament, placed 42nd.

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SATURDAY, APRIL 1

Lacrosse (B V)	Charlestown Lacrosse	(A)	1:00
Softball (G V)	ANDOVER PLAYOAY	(H)	9:00
Volleyball (B V)	St. John's	(A)	9:00

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 5

Baseball (B JV1)	CENTRAL CATHOLIC HIGH	(H)	3:15
Baseball (B V)	HAVERHILL HS (Scrim)	(H)	3:00
Lacrosse (G V)	HARVARD (Scrim)	(H)	4:00
Softball (G V)	Lowell High	(A)	3:15
Tennis (G V)	MIDDLESEX	(H)	2:15

FRIDAY, APRIL 7

Baseball (B V)	WATERVILLE HS	(H)	3:30
Tennis (BV)	BELMONT HILL	(H)	3:30

SATURDAY, APRIL 8

Baseball (B JV1)	WORCESTER	(H)	1:00
Baseball (B V)	BRIDGTON ACAOEMY	(H)	1:30
Golf (V)	TABOR	(H)	3:00
Lacrosse (B JV1)	NO. ANOOVER HIGH	(H)	1:00
Lacrosse (B JV2)	MACONOMET	(H)	1:00
Lacrosse (B V)	NO. ANOOVER HIGH	(H)	1:00
Lacrosse (G JV2)	ANOOVER HIGH SCHOOL	(H)	1:00
Lacrosse (G V)	Middlesex (Scrim)	(A)	2:00
Softball (G JV)	FREEMONT JH	(H)	1:00
Softball (G V)	BUCKSPORT HS	(H)	2:00
Tennis (B VB)	NEW HAMPTON	(H)	2:30
Tennis (G VB)	Concord Academy	(A)	2:00
Volleyball (B V)	Central Catholic (Scrim)	(A)	1:30

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 12

Baseball (B JV1)	Cushing	(A)	3:30
Baseball (B JV2)	B.B.&N.	(H)	3:15
Baseball (B V)	NO. ANDOVER HIGH (Scrim)	(H)	3:00
Golf (V)	EXETER/GOA	(H)	2:30
Lacrosse (B JV1)	Governor Oummer (Scrim)	(A)	3:15
Lacrosse (B V)	N.M.H.	(H)	3:30
Lacrosse (G JV2)	MILTON	(H)	3:15
Lacrosse (G V)	ST. MARK'S (Scrim)	(H)	3:15
Softball (G JV)	NEWMAN PREP	(H)	3:30
Tennis (B JV)	CONCORO ACAOEMY	(H)	3:30
Tennis (B V)	TUFTS	(H)	3:00
Tennis (G JV)	Winsor	(A)	3:00
Tennis (G V)	Tabor	(A)	3:15
Tennis (G VB)	WINSOR	(H)	4:00

THURSDAY, APRIL 13

Golf (V)	Belmont Hill	(A)	3:45

FRIDAY, APRIL 14

Baseball (B JV1)	HAVERHILL HIGH SCHOOL	(H)	3:30
Lacrosse (B JV1)	BELMONT HILL	(H)	3:30
Lacrosse (G JV1)	Dana Hall	(A)	4:30
Lacrosse (G JV2)	Dana Hall	(A)	4:30
Tennis (B JV)	Pingree	(A)	4:30
Tennis (B V)	ANDOVER HIGH SCHOOL	(H)	3:30
Tennis (G VB)	BROOKS	(H)	4:15

SATURDAY, APRIL 15

Baseball (B V)	Wilbraham & Monson	(A)	11:00
Crew (B V)	KENT	(H)	2:00
Crew (G V)	KENT	(H)	2:00
Lacrosse (B V)	HYDE SCHOOL	(H)	2:00
Lacrosse (G V)	K.U.A.	(A)	4:00
Softball (G V)	NOBLE/N. ANO/PITTSFIELO	(H)	11:30
Tennis (B V)	N.M.H.	(A)	1:00
Tennis (B VB)	N.M.H.	(A)	1:00
Track & Field (B V)	Deerfield/Taft	(A)	2:00
Track & Field (G V)	Oeerfield/Taft	(A)	2:00
Volleyball (B V)	Choate	(A)	3:30

SUNDAY, APRIL 16

Cycling Team	Bishop Hendricken HS	(A)	10:00

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 19

Baseball (B JV1)	CATHOLIC MEMORIAL	(H)	3:00
Baseball (B JV2)	Gr. Law. Tech	(A)	3:30
Baseball (B V)	Cushing	(A)	3:15
Cycling Team	Tilton	(A)	3:00
Golf (V)	HOLDERNESS	(H)	2:30
Lacrosse (B JV1)	Charlestown Lacrosse	(A)	4:00
Lacrosse (B JV2)	CONCORD HS	(H)	4:00
Lacrosse (B V)	BRIOGTON ACAOEMY	(H)	4:00
Lacrosse (G JV1)	N.M.H.	(H)	4:45
Lacrosse (G JV2)	Brookwood School	(A)	3:45
Lacrosse (G V)	N.M.H.	(H)	3:30
Softball (G JV)	PIKE SCHOOL	(H)	3:00
Softball (G V)	K.U.A.	(H)	3:00
Tennis (B JV)	TABOR	(H)	3:00
Tennis (B VB)	TABOR	(H)	3:00
Tennis (G JV)	TILTON	(H)	2:30
Tennis (G V)	ST. PAUL'S	(H)	3:00
Volleyball (B V)	Chelmsford	(A)	3:00

FRIDAY, APRIL 21

Tennis (B V)	Groton	(A)	4:15

SATURDAY, APRIL 22

Baseball (B JV1)	Lexington Christian	(A)	1:00
Baseball (B JV2)	Pingree	(A)	12:00
Baseball (B V)	WORCESTER (O.H.)	(H)	11:00
Crew (B V)	St. John's/Simsb/Exeter	(A)	3:00
Crew (G V)	Simsbury/Exeter	(A)	3:00
Lacrosse (G JV1)	Thayer	(A)	1:30
Lacrosse (G V)	Thayer	(A)	12:00
Softball (G V)	EXETER/NMH/WILMINGTON	(H)	1:30
Tennis (G V)	CHOATE	(H)	1:30
Tennis (G VB)	CHOATE	(H)	1:30

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26

Baseball (B JV2)	NORTH READING HS	(H)	3:00
Baseball (B V)	HARVARO	(H)	3:30
Cycling Team	Holderness Plymouth, NH	(A)	3:00
Golf (V)	Milton/B.B.&N.	(A)	2:30
Lacrosse (B JV1)	HOLDERNESS	(H)	3:00
Lacrosse (B JV2)	Pike School	(A)	3:30
Lacrosse (B V)	HOLOERNESS	(H)	3:00
Lacrosse (G V)	Holderness	(A)	3:30
Softball (G JV)	PRESENTATION OF MARY	(H)	3:30
Softball (G V)	PRESENTATION OF MARY	(H)	3:30
Tennis (B JV)	Belmont Hill	(A)	3:30
Tennis (B V)	Milton	(A)	3:15
Tennis (B VB)	LOWELL HIGH	(H)	2:00
Tennis (G JV)	PIKE SCHOOL	(H)	2:00
Track & Field (B V)	TEWKSBURY/CHELMSFORO	(H)	3:00
Track & Field (G V)	CHELMSFORO	(H)	3:00

FRIDAY, APRIL 28

Baseball (B JV2)	Milton	(A)	4:30
Golf (V)	Middlesex/B.B.&N.	(A)	4:00
Softball (G JV)	DANA HALL	(H)	3:30
Tennis (G V)	Milton	(A)	4:30
Tennis (G VB)	Milton	(A)	4:30

SATURDAY, APRIL 29

Baseball (B JV1)	CUSHING	(H)	2:30
Baseball (B V)	N.M.H. (O.H.)	(A)	1:45
Crew (B V)	Salisbury	(A)	3:00
Golf	TILTON	(H)	2:30
Lacrosse (B JV1)	Oeerfield	(A)	2:30
Lacrosse (B JV2)	Proctor	(A)	1:00
Lacrosse (B V)	Oeerfield	(A)	2:30
Lacrosse (G JV1)	Proctor	(A)	1:00
Lacrosse (G JV2)	Proctor	(A)	2:15
Lacrosse (G V)	TAFT	(H)	4:00
Softball (G V)	CUSHING/TABOR/NAZARETH	(H)	2:00
Tennis (B V)	DEERFIELO	(H)	12:30
Tennis (B VB)	OEERFIELO	(H)	12:30
Tennis (G JV)	EXETER	(H)	3:00
Tennis (G V)	EXETER	(H)	3:00
Tennis (G VB)	EXETER	(H)	3:00
Track & Field (B JV)	N.M.H.	(H)	2:00
Track & Field (B V)	N.M.H.	(H)	2:00
Track & Field (G JV)	N.M.H./MILTON/SPS	(H)	2:00
Track & Field (G V)	N.M.H./MILTON/SPS	(H)	2:00
Volleyball (B V)	N.M.H.	(A)	2:00

SUNDAY, APRIL 30

Cycling Team	White Mountain	(A)	12:00

WEDNESDAY, MAY 3

Baseball (B JV2)	ST. PAUL'S	(H)	3:00
Baseball (B V)	WILBRAHAM & MONSON	(H)	3:15
Golf (V)	St. Mark's	(A)	2:00
Lacrosse (B JV1)	PINKERTON ACAOEMY	(H)	4:00
Lacrosse (B JV2)	Concord HS	(A)	3:30
Lacrosse (B V)	PINKERTON ACAOEMY	(H)	4:00
Lacrosse (G JV1)	B.B.&N.	(A)	4:30
Lacrosse (G JV2)	PIKE SCHOOL	(H)	3:00
Lacrosse (G V)	B.B.&N.	(A)	3:15
Softball (G V)	Exeter	(A)	2:30
Tennis (B JV)	Exeter	(A)	3:00
Tennis (B V)	Exeter	(A)	3:00
Tennis (B VB)	Exeter	(A)	3:00
Tennis (G JV)	ST. PAUL'S	(H)	3:00

FRIDAY, MAY 5

Lacrosse (B JV2)	PIKE SCHOOL	(H)	3:45
Lacrosse (G JV1)	SHORE COUNTRY OAY	(H)	4:00
Tennis (B JV)	BELMONT HILL	(H)	3:30
Tennis (B JV1)	MIOOLESEX	(H)	4:15
Tennis (B VB)	ANOOVER HS	(H)	3:30
Tennis (G V)	Newton Country Day	(A)	4:15

SATURDAY, MAY 6

Baseball (B JV1)	Worcester	(A)	2:30
Baseball (B V)	Exeter (O.H.)	(A)	2:30
Crew (B V)	St. Paul's	(A)	3:00
Crew (G V)	St. Paul's	(A)	3:00
Lacrosse (B JV1)	LOOMIS-CHAFFEE	(H)	3:30
Lacrosse (B V)	LOOMIS-CHAFFEE	(H)	3:30
Lacrosse (G JV1)	TABOR	(H)	4:30
Lacrosse (G JV2)	TYNGSBORO HS	(H)	2:00
Lacrosse (G V)	TABOR	(H)	3:15
Softball (G V)	NO. REAO/NHAMPTON	(H)	1:00
Tennis (G V)	N.M.H.	(H)	3:30
Tennis (G VB)	N.M.H.	(H)	3:30
Track & Field (B JV)	ANOOVER HIGH SCHOOL	(H)	2:00
Track & Field (B V)	ANOOVER HIGH SCHOOL	(H)	2:00
Track & Field (G JV)	ANOOVER HIGH SCHOOL	(H)	2:00
Track & Field (G V)	ANOOVER HIGH SCHOOL	(H)	2:00

SUNDAY, MAY 7

Cycling Team	Gould	(A)	10:00

MDNDAY, MAY 8

Lacrosse (B V)	Governor Oummer	(A)	4:30

WEDNESDAY, MAY 10

Baseball (B JV1)	MILTON	(H)	3:30
Baseball (B V)	CUSHING	(H)	3:00
Cycling Team	Proctor	(A)	3:00
Golf (V)	Thayer	(A)	2:30
Lacrosse (B JV1)	Pinkerton	(A)	5:00
Lacrosse (B JV2)	Pinkerton	(A)	5:00
Lacrosse (B V)	Milton	(A)	3:30
Lacrosse (G JV1)	Governor Dummer	(A)	3:15
Lacrosse (G JV2)	BROOKWOOD SCHOOL	(H)	3:30
Lacrosse (G V)	Governor Dummer	(A)	4:30
Softball (G JV)	SHAWSHEEN TECH	(H)	3:30
Softball (G V)	SHAWSHEEN TECH	(H)	3:30
Tennis (B V)	Moses Brown	(A)	3:30
Tennis (B VB)	Milton	(A)	4:30
Tennis (G JV)	MIOOLESEX	(H)	2:15
Tennis (G V)	MILTON	(H)	3:30
Track & Field (B JV)	CUSHING/REAOING	(H)	3:30
Track & Field (B V)	CUSHING/REAOING	(H)	3:30
Track & Field (G JV)	CUSHING/REAOING	(H)	3:30
Track & Field (G V)	CUSHING/REAOING	(H)	3:30
Volleyball (B V)	CENTRAL CATHOLIC (Scrim)	(H)	3:30

FRIDAY, MAY 12

Tennis (G VB)	OANA HALL	(H)	3:30

SATURDAY, MAY 13

Baseball (B JV1)	OEERFIELO (O.H.)	(H)	1:15
Baseball (B JV2)	Governor Dummer	(A)	2:00
Baseball (B V)	OEERFIELO (O.H.)	(H)	1:15
Crew (B V)	TABOR/EXETER	(H)	2:00
Crew (G V)	TABOR/EXETER	(H)	2:00
Golf (V)	GOA/Exeter	(A)	2:00
Lacrosse (B JV1)	CONCORO-CARLISLE HIGH	(H)	2:30
Lacrosse (B JV2)	Loomis-Chaffee	(A)	3:00
Lacrosse (B V)	CONCORO-CARLISLE HIGH	(H)	2:30
Lacrosse (G JV1)	Loomis-Chaffee	(A)	3:00
Lacrosse (G JV2)	Loomis-Chaffee	(A)	3:00
Lacrosse (G V)	Loomis-Chaffee	(A)	3:00
Softball (G JV)	GOVERNOR DUMMER	(H)	1:30
Softball (G V)	STONELEIGH/OEERFIELO	(H)	1:30
Tennis (B V)	Choate	(A)	3:00
Tennis (B VB)	Choate	(A)	3:00
Tennis (G V)	Loomis-Chaffee	(A)	3:00

Track & Field (B JV)	Loomis-Chaffee	(A)	3:00
Track & Field (B V)	Loomis-Chaffee	(A)	3:00
Track & Field (G JV)	Loomis-Chaffee	(A)	3:00
Track & Field (G V)	Loomis-Chaffee	(A)	3:00
Volleyball (B V)	CHOATE	(H)	2:30

MONDAY, MAY 15

Tennis (B V)	ST. JDHN'S	(H)	3:30
Tennis (B VB)	ST. JOHN'S	(H)	3:30

WEDNESDAY, MAY 17

Baseball (B JV2)	Exeter	(A)	3:00
Baseball (B V)	Tabor	(A)	3:30
Golf (V)	RIVERS	(H)	3:30
Lacrosse (B JV1)	ST. PAUL'S	(H)	3:15
Lacrosse (B JV2)	Cushing	(A)	3:15
Lacrosse (B V)	ST. PAUL'S	(H)	3:15
Lacrosse (G JV1)	WINSOR	(H)	5:15
Lacrosse (G JV2)	DANA HALL	(H)	3:45
Lacrosse (G V)	WINSOR	(H)	4:00
Tennis (B JV)	Fessenden	(A)	3:15
Tennis (G JV)	BRDDKS	(H)	3:00
Tennis (G V)	NOBLE & GREENOUGH	(H)	3:15
Tennis (G VB)	Noble & Greenough	(A)	3:00

FRIDAY, MAY 19

Baseball (B JV1)	ST. JOHN'S	(H)	4:00
Lacrosse (G JV2)	Andover High School	(A)	4:00

SATURDAY, MAY 20

Baseball (B JV1)	LOWELL VDCATIDNAL HIGH	(H)	3:30
Baseball (B JV2)	Brooks	(A)	1:30
Baseball (B V)	Tournament	(A)	10:00
Crew (B V)	N.M.H.	(H)	1:30
Crew (G V)	N.M.H.	(H)	1:30
Golf (V)	Exeter/GDA	(A)	2:00
Lacrosse (B JV1)	Tabor	(A)	1:15
Lacrosse (B JV2)	PRDCTOR	(H)	2:00
Lacrosse (B V)	Tabor	(A)	1:15
Lacrosse (G V)	Tournament Newton Country Day	(A)	10:30
Softball (G JV)	NORTH READING	(H)	11:00
Softball (G V)	Tournament Greenfield	(A)	12:00
Tennis (B JV)	CUSHING	(H)	2:00
Tennis (B V)	Tournament	(A)	9:30
Tennis (B VB)	CUSHING	(H)	2:00
Tennis (G JV)	Governor Dummer	(A)	10:00
Tennis (G V)	Thayer	(A)	1:00
Tennis (G VB)	Governor Dummer	(A)	10:00
Track & Field (B V)	Interscholastics Deerfield	(A)	10:00
Track & Field (G V)	Interscholastics	(A)	10:00
Volleyball (B V)	N.M.H.	(H)	1:00

SUNDAY, MAY 21

Softball (G V)	Tournament	(A)	11:00

WEDNESDAY, MAY 24

Baseball (B JV1)	ANDDVER HIGH SCHOOL	(H)	3:15
Baseball (B JV2)	GR. LAW TECH HIGH	(H)	3:15
Lacrosse (B JV2)	PINKERTDN ACADEMY	(H)	4:00
Lacrosse (G JV1)	Groton	(A)	3:15
Lacrosse (G JV2)	Milton	(A)	3:15
Lacrosse (G V)	Groton	(A)	3:15
Softball (G JV)	NDRTH READING	(H)	3:30
Tennis (B JV)	EXETER	(H)	2:30
Tennis (B V)	EXETER	(H)	2:30
Tennis (B VB)	EXETER	(H)	2:30
Tennis (G JV)	Exeter	(A)	3:00
Tennis (G V)	Exeter	(A)	3:00
Tennis (G VB)	Exeter	(A)	3:00
Volleyball (B V)	ANDDVER HS (Scrim)	(H)	3:30

FRIDAY, MAY 26

Lacrosse (G V)	EXETER	(H)	5:30
Softball (G V)	ST. PAUL'S	(H)	4:00

SATURDAY, MAY 27

Baseball (B JV2)	EXETER	(H)	2:00
Baseball (B V)	EXETER	(H)	2:00
Baseball (B V)	ALUMNI	(H)	10:30
Crew (B V)	Interscholastics	(A)	10:00
Crew (G V)	Interscholastics	(A)	8:00
Lacrosse (B JV1)	EXETER	(H)	2:00
Lacrosse (B V)	EXETER	(H)	2:30
Lacrosse (B V)	ALUMNI	(H)	11:00
Lacrosse (G JV1)	EXETER	(H)	2:00
Softball (G V)	EXETER	(H)	2:00
Tennis (B V)	Tournament	(A)	12:00
Tennis (G V)	NEPSAC	(A)	9:00
Track & Field (B JV)	EXETER	(H)	2:00
Track & Field (B V)	EXETER	(H)	2:00
Track & Field (G JV)	EXETER	(H)	2:00
Track & Field (G V)	EXETER	(H)	2:00
Volleyball (B V)	Choate Tourney	(A)	1:30

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Jutras, Theodore
Linnemann, Roger
Long, Daniel
Nyadjroh, Adjatay
Ottariano, Mark
Salini, Andrew
Thurber, Davis
Turner, Michael

BASEBALL

			PA	OPP
Wed. Apr. 5, 2000	(H)	Haverhill High (scrimmage)	9	5
Fri. Apr. 7, 2000	(H)	Waterville HIgh School	2	0
Sat. Apr. 8, 2000	(H)	Bridgton Academy	0	4
Wed. Apr. 12, 2000	(H)	No. Andover High	6	5
Sat. Apr. 15, 2000	(A)	Wilbraham & MOnson	4	0
Wed. Apr. 19, 2000	(A)	Cushing	14	15
Mon. Apr. 24, 2000	(H)	Worcester	4	8
Wed. Apr. 26, 2000	(H)	Harvard	rain cancelation	
Sat. Apr. 29, 2000	(A)	N.M.H. (DH)	4	15
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MOn. May 1, 2000	(H)	Worcester	4	3
Wed. May 3, 2000	(H)	Wilbraham & Monson	3	2
Sat. May 6, 2000	(A)	Exeter (DH)	3	7
			1	0
Wed. May 10, 2000	(H)	Cushing	1	0
Sat. May 13, 2000	(H)	Deerfield (DH)	13	5
			4	9
Wed. May. 17, 2000	(A)	Tabor	3	19
Sat. MAy 27, 2000	(H)	Exeter	1	2

Baseball Goes 2–1 on Week as Ace Hordon Makes Bid for No–Hitter

by Pat Linnemann
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	**2**
Waterville	**0**

Bridgton	**4**
Andover	**0**

Andover	**6**
North Andover	**5**

With about a week's preparation, the Andover Boys' Baseball team faced off in their first game against Waterville High School. Though the game was late starting, Andover was quick to go to work in the first inning. Andover's starter, Marc Hordon '00 took the hill against a well-coached team.

Marc had good velocity on his fastball and strong command over his other pitches, which helped him when he fell behind in the count. After the first inning Hordon had already recorded two strikeouts. The third inning was key for the Blue as Jeff Heighington '00 jump-started the offense with a line drive single up the middle. Shortstop Dave Frisch '02 walked, leaving men at first and second base. Adjatay Nyadjroh '03 advanced the runners with a beautiful bunt, which brought up the top of the order for Andover. Joe Conlon '00 came up with the biggest hit of the game as he drove a curveball to the right-center gap for a double allowing Frisch and Heighington to score easily. Although this was all Andover could manage, they had grabbed an all-important two run lead.

From there Hordon was able to control the game as he overpowered the hitters. Hordon surrendered a one-out hit in the top of the seventh to break up his bid for a no-hitter. Andover blanked Waterville High School with a final score of 2-0. Hordon finished the game with an incredible fourteen strikeouts and issued six free passes. Andover's win last Friday helped to build some confidence which they hoped to maintain as they came back the next day for a game against Bridgeton Academy.

Jeff Heighington got the call for Andover on Saturday as the team searched for their second win of the season. Bridgeton Academy's pitcher, Mark Devito, seemed to keep Andover off-balance as the Blue struggled to place men on base.

Andover threatened in the second inning when Mark Ottariano '00 led off with a single, Danny Long '00 walked, and Heighington singled to load the bases with no outs. Ben Chang '02 was due up for Andover and made an attempt to bring home a run with a fly pop, but the wind held up the ball and Ottariano was unable to tag-up and score. Devito struck out the next two hitters to finish out the inning without any damage.

Heighington seemed to be on a roll in the second as he struck out the side, but in the third Bridgeton put together six hits and compiled three runs on the scoreboard. Andover's offense could not fabricate any further scoring opportunities; they did not move a runner past second for the rest of the game. On the other hand, Bridgeton capitalized on Andover's mistakes in the field and soon added one more insurance run. Heighington left at the conclusion of the fifth inning after striking out seven, issuing no free passes, allowing seven hits, and giving up only two earned runs. Brandon Dickerson '00 came in relief and pitched two strong innings. He finished the game allowing only one hit, one walk, and one strike out. After the second inning

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ANDOVER 6, N. ANDOVER 5

N. ANDOVER	AB	R	H	RBI	BB
Campolini, c	4	0	0	0	1
Phelan, cf	3	1	1	0	0
Morales, 2b	5	1	3	1	0
Stathos, ss	5	1	2	1	0
Holland, 1b	5	1	2	0	0
Johnson, rf	3	0	1	1	0
Mitchell, p	2	0	0	1	1
Iacono, 3b	1	0	0	0	0
Sullivan, lf	3	1	0	0	1
Totals	38	5	10	4	3
ANDOVER					
Conlon, 2b	4	0	0	0	0
Thurber, rf	5	0	1	0	0
Hordon, c	4	0	2	0	1
Ottariano, lf	5	2	2	0	0
Turner, dh	3	2	1	0	2
Long, 1b	4	1	2	0	1
Heignington, 3b	4	1	2	1	1
Frisch, ss	4	0	1	1	1
Nyadjroh, cf	3	0	1	2	2
Totals	36	6	12	4	8

BRIDGTON 4, ANDOVER 0

BRIDGTON	AB	R	H	RBI	BB
McDonald, cf	4	1	1	0	0
Appdonia, rf	4	1	1	0	0
Millbury, 1b	3	0	1	0	0
DeVito, p	4	0	2	0	0
La Marlow, c	3	0	1	0	0
MacDonady, 3b	3	0	0	0	0
Sosnausb, lf	2	1	1	0	1
Curtin, ss	2	1	1	0	0
Ambrose, 2b	1	0	0	1	0
Totals	27	4	9	1	1
ANDOVER					
Conlon, 2b	3	0	0	0	0
Thurber, 3b	3	0	0	0	0
Hordon, cf	3	0	1	0	0
Ottariano, lf	3	0	1	0	0
Long, 1b	2	0	0	0	1
Heignington, p	3	0	1	0	0
Chang, c	2	0	0	0	0
Jutras, ss	3	0	0	0	0
Salini, rf	2	0	1	0	0
Totals	25	0	4	0	1

Bridgton	003	100	0	4	9	1
Andover	000	000	0	0	4	3

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4/8/00
4/12/00

Baseball Beats N. Andover in Nine

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Andover could not generate any offense, although Marc Hordon and Andrew Salini '02 both added singles in the third and fifth inning respectively. Andover's tough 4-0 loss dropped their record to 1-1 as they looked forward to their next game to hopefully produce more offense.

Andover squared off against North Andover High School this past Wednesday in search of their second win on the season. Ted Jutras '01 was on the hill for Andover as he looked to shut down the Scarlet Knights' offense. In the bottom half of the first inning, Davis Thurber '00 and Marc Hordon '00 tried to put Andover on the scoreboard with singles, unfortunately to no avail. In the second, Andover's Danny Long hit a bomb to centerfield for a double, advanced on Frisch's groundout but once again was unable to score. In the top half of the third as Jutras seemed to be rolling, North Andover recorded consecutive singles to take an early 1-0 lead. Then in the fourth, North Andover took advantage of an errant throw in the infield as they compiled a double and two more singles to add three more runs and bring the score to 4-0. The bats for Andover grew silent again and they could not bring a man home until the sixth inning.

Mark Ottariano led the rally with a leadoff single, followed by Captain Mike Turner's '00 base on balls, Heighington's single, and Frisch singling between the third baseman and shortstop. Andover found itself only down by three heading into the seventh. Andy Salini had taken over for Jutras in the sixth inning and quickly shut down North Andover as they only sent seven men to the plate in the sixth and seventh inning. The seventh inning was looking dismal for Andover as they were down to their final out with nobody on. Mark Ottariano, once again started the rally with a single, followed by three free passes to Turner, Long and Heighington. With the score 4-3 in favor of North Andover, Dave Frisch grounded to the shortstop and was able to beat out the throw that was off target, knotting the score at four. Salini continued to roll for Andover as he faced only four hitters in the eighth and ninth inning. Jeff Heighington got the ball rolling for Andover as he singled to the outfield with only one out. A walk to Frisch brought Nyadjroh to the plate; he jumped on a first pitch fastball and drove it over the shortstop's head, allowing Heighington to score. Andover had pulled out an all-important 5-4 win over a tough North Andover team. Salini finished the game with four strikeouts, one walk, two hits, and zero earned runs.

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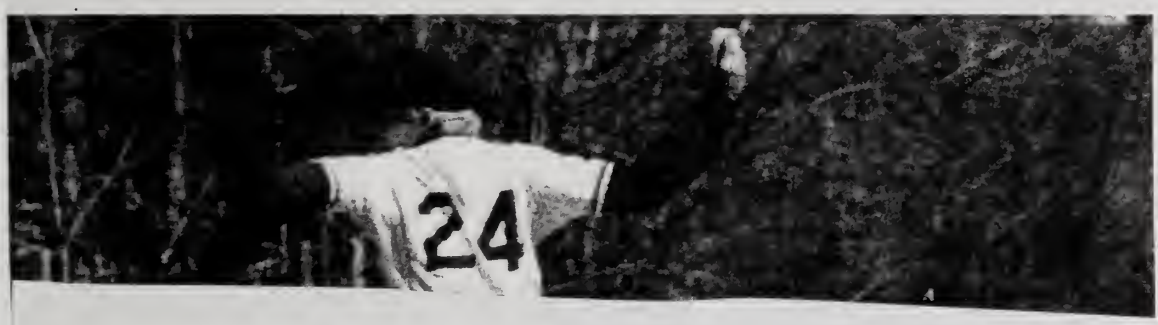
A Bridgton adversary leaps for a high ball as PA's #45 slides in safely to the bag.



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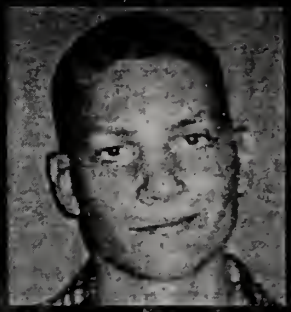
Tight Andover defense helps to knock out a runner, and win two of baseball's last three games.

Athlete Of The Week



Joe Conlon '00

"He plays hard and he plays with power. He's a great guy." —Dave Frisch '02

Turn over for story →

by Diana Dosik
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS ASSOCIATE

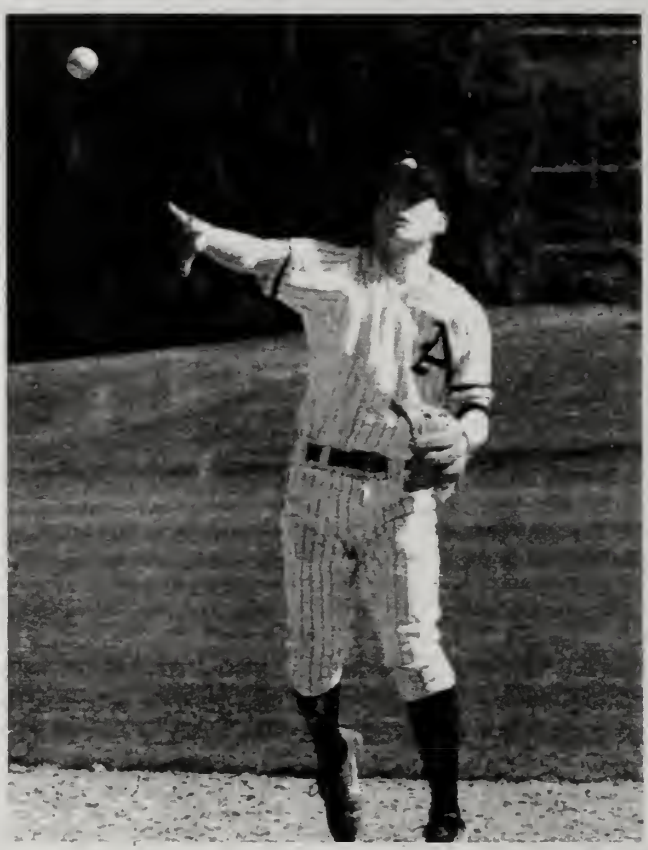
Post-Graduate Joe Conlon has proven himself as an integral part of the Phillips Academy baseball, hitting two doubles in last Friday's game against Waterville and winning the game for Andover, 2-0. Conlon bats leadoff, and is the starting second baseman. His defensive talent and athletic prowess make Joe an important asset to the Varsity squad. A baseball standout and spirited player, Conlon is this week's Athlete of the Week.

Joe got involved with baseball at a very young age. Playing both for his high school and outside league teams, Conlon managed his hectic baseball schedule with the help of his parents. "My parents have always been very supportive, by going to practically every game I've played," he explained. Joe grew up in Lynn, MA, with his older brother and younger sister. For as long as he can remember, America's favorite pastime has been a part of his life.

Unlike the majority of PA athletes, Conlon did not spend his high school years munching in Commons and hanging out in GW. He attended public schools throughout his education, and decided at the end of his senior year to apply to PA. "I thought PA would be a good chance to slow my life down and enjoy myself," Joe pointed out. He also applied to colleges, but Conlon decided to attend Andover's Post Graduate program instead because he "liked the atmosphere and how things were done."

As a late arrival to Phillips, Conlon spent most of his high school career playing ball for the Lynn English High School Bulldogs. He was also a member of two outside leagues for six years; he played Babe Ruth Baseball, which is a lower level league, before moving up to Legion Baseball. His fondest baseball memory is of the Clancy tournament, a competition between four of the Lynn Public High Schools.

Though Joe's love for baseball could weather the ups and downs of any team, Conlon emphasizes the effect good teammates have had on him throughout his playing days. "I've always had great teammates— I am lucky for that. They make it fun to come to the ballpark." Conlon's good fortune with fellow players has continued here at Andover. Though he is a man of few words, he asserts clearly that he loves the team, and cannot wait to get out on the fields every day. "Going out for practice and games should be fun," asserts Conlon, "and it is with this team."



Conlon's enthusiasm for the team is returned by his fellow players. He is known as a team leader, with a great sense of humor and endless talent. "It's really hard for a Post-Grad to come on a team and be a leader, but Conlon definitely does it," asserted teammate Dave Frisch '01. "He has the best sense of humor on the team; he keeps kids laughing all practice. Though he may look like one of the smallest kids on the team, he definitely plays like one of the biggest. He plays hard, and he plays with power. He's a great guy," claims Frisch.

Looking back on his baseball career, Conlon attributes much of his success to his coaches. "Both my legion coaches and high school coaches have taught me a lot and I have a huge amount of respect for them." His regard for his influential coaches continues here, and he compliments Coach Andrew Cline's superior knowledge of the game. By the same token, Cline is very excited to have Conlon on board. "He is very steady in the field, and brings a lot of baseball experience to the team," said Cline. "He's kind of quiet, but he works hard, and interacts well with the team," Cline continued. "The guys respect how he goes about his game, and he's easy to get along with."

Conlon has a lot of faith in the Andover baseball team of 2000. After an impressive 12-4 record last year, and a league championship in '98, Coach Cline is ready to take another championship this season. Despite a disappointing loss against Bridgton last Saturday, 4-0, Conlon is confident that he could help the team win a championship. "I think, if we play a smart game, we can compete with anybody," Conlon explained. "If we concentrate on playing our best, we will be tough to beat."

Looking to the future, Joe is still unsure of where he wants to go next year. He is considering Springfield, St. Michaels, UMass, Michigan State, and Fairfield, but his first priority is finishing the rest of this season successfully. "We have a lot of games left, and everything will work out if we play to our ability," he says.

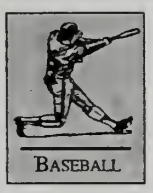
Hordon Hurls One-Hit Shutout, Strikes Out 14 Against Wilbraham

4/15/00

by Pat Linnemann
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	**4**
Wilbraham & Monson	**0**

Andover	**14**
Cushing	**14**



What started out looking like an easy win ended up an ugly stalemate as the Andover Varsity Baseball team battled a scrappy Cushing squad to a 14-14 tie. The game was called at the conclusion of the seventh inning due to darkness and fog. In a game that was characterized by examples of both great and terrible play, Andover started out on the positive side, scoring eight runs in the top of the first. It was not without a little help from the inept Cushing defense however, as the first two batters of the game, second baseman Joe Conlon '00 and pitcher Jeff Heighington '00 both reached on fielding errors. With runners on first and second, Marc Hordon '00, playing catcher, blasted a triple to center, scoring two. Andover then let loose a barrage of hits including doubles by Mark Ottariano '00, Mike Turner '00 and a triple by Andrew Salini '02. The Cushing pitcher lasted only a third of an inning until he was replaced. With an 8-0 lead going into the bottom of the first, Andover was looking to cruise to an easy victory. However, the Cushing team showed that they weren't about to give up without a fight.

Heighington (0-1), started the game on the mound for the Blue. Due to the cold and wet weather, Heighington had less velocity and movement on his fastball than usual. He started out nicely by striking out the first Cushing batter he faced, but he ran into trouble when he walked the next batter and gave up a single to the third. With runners on first and second, third baseman Davis Thurber '00 let a ground ball squirt between his legs into left field. Cushing eventually scored two runs in the first, cutting down on Andover's lead and boosting its own confidence.

Cushing's relief pitcher proved to be more of a puzzle for Andovers' hitters as he shut them down without a run in the second inning. Cushing, however, continued to gain on Andover's lead by scoring five runs in the bottom of the second, cutting Andover's lead to one.

Andover rebounded in the third, scoring three on deep home runs by Hordon and Salini. Hordon's ball landed on the roof of a shed, and Salini's plowed through the cold air into center, going deep enough to allow time for him to hustle around the bases.

Cushing showed no signs of letting up when they retaliated with five runs of its own in the bottom half of the third, to take a 12-11 lead going into the fourth inning. Andover looked cold and sluggish and went down 1-2-3 in the fourth, but good pitching by reliever Brandon Dickerson '00 and some solid defense in the field kept Andover close allowing Cushing to score no runs in the bottom of the inning.

Andover regained the lead in its next two at bats on singles by Salini, Ottariano, Turner and first baseman Danny Long '00 which led to three runs. Andover held a precarious 14-12 lead going into the final seventh inning. Facing Dickerson, Cushing's first batter smacked an inside-the-park home run, cutting Andover's lead to one again and making the situation all the more tense. Even though Dickerson was showing some signs of fatigue on the mound, Coach Andy Cline chose to leave the veteran in to finish the game. He gave up a walk, and then a double. With runners on second and third, Dickerson finally settled down and induced the batter to ground the ball to Ted Jutras '01 at short.

Cushing then tried to bunt the tying run in with a suicide squeeze bunt play, but it backfired when the batter popped the ball up and catcher Hordon recorded the second out by catching the ball in foul territory. On a 1-0 count, the next batter poked a weak grounder between short and third, scoring the tying run. Jutras ended the inning by fielding a grounder and throwing to Conlon at second. After a short conference, the umpires decided that the game be called due to visibility problems. There is no word yet on whether the game will be made up at a later date.

It was a frustrating day for Andover Baseball, as it missed out on valuable in-conference points. Andover now holds a 1-0-1 record in the conference, and a 3-1-1 record overall. The Blue faces Worcester in a double-header at home this Saturday behind likely starters Hordon (2-0) and Jutras (0-0).

ANDOVER 4, WILBRAHAM 0

ANDOVER	AB	R	H	RBI	BB
Frisch, ss	4	0	0	0	0
Thurber, 2b	3	1	0	0	1
Hordon, p	4	2	2	2	0
Ottariano, lf	3	0	1	1	0
Turner, dh	4	0	1	1	0
Long, 1b	3	0	0	0	0
Heighington, 3b	2	0	2	0	1
Chang, c	2	0	0	0	0
Nyadjroh, cf	2	1	1	0	1
Linnemann, rf	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	27	4	7	4	3
WILBRAHAM					
Ovellet, cf	3	0	1	0	0
Allard, c	2	0	0	0	1
Reese, 3b	2	0	0	0	0
Lincoln, lf	3	0	0	0	0
Zajdel, 1b	2	0	0	0	1
Crowther, rf	3	0	0	0	0
Lonezak, 2b	2	0	0	0	1
Scrivner, dh	3	0	0	0	0
Bell, ss	2	0	0	0	0
Gallagher, p	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	22	0	1	0	3

Andover	200	001	1	4	7	0
Wilbraham	000	000	0	0	1	1

Andover	IP	R	ER	H	K	BB	WP
Hordon	7	0	0	1	14	3	0
Totals	7	0	0	1	14	3	0

ANDOVER 14, CUSHING 14

ANDOVER	AB	R	H	RBI	BB
Conlon, 2b	4	1	1	0	1
Heighington, p	2	2	0	1	0
Hordon, c	4	2	3	5	1
Ottariano, lf	5	2	2	1	0
Turner, dh	4	2	2	1	0
Long, 1b	5	0	1	1	0
Thurber, 3b	3	1	0	0	0
Salini, rf	3	3	3	2	1
Nyadjroh, cf	3	1	1	2	1
Jutras, ss	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	33	14	13	13	4
CUSHING					
Mallozzi, cf	5	2	3	0	0
Serls, 3b	0	0	0	0	2
Tarantino, lf	5	3	4	0	0
Howard, p	3	2	0	0	1
Honhal, 1b	4	1	2	0	1
Hurney, ss	4	1	2	0	1
Mazza, dh	5	0	2	2	0
Royal, c	4	1	0	1	0
Vidul, 2b	5	2	1	3	0
Hollowood, rf	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	35	14	16	6	5

Andover	800	301	2	14	13	4
Cushing	250	500	2	14	16	5

Andover	IP	R	ER	H	K	BB	W
Heighington	3	12	4	11	4	2	0
Dickerson	4	2	2	5	2	3	0
Totals	7	14	6	16	6	5	0

PA Bats, Flat After Extended Rain, Shut Down Early by Worcester Acad.

by Pat Linnemann
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Worcester	**8**
Andover	**4**

Andover was scheduled for a weekend double header against Worcester, but unfortunately Mother Nature was not about to cooperate as rain on Friday, and into Saturday forced the game to be called. The first of the doubleheader was rescheduled for Monday and the second scheduled for Monday, May 1 at 4 p.m.

Andover squared off on Monday against Worcester Academy at Phelps Park, looking to improve upon a 2-1-1 record so far this season. The Big Blue, though, did not fair as well as it had hoped. After a long, rainy weekend without any baseball games, Andover seemed to come out a little rusty and unfocused. On the mound for Andover was pitching ace Marc Hordon '00, who had recorded a perfect 2-0 record in his first two starts, accumulating 28 strikeouts, and only allowing one hit in each of the two games.

Andover got off to a rocky start in the first few innings as it fell behind 5-0. In the first inning Hordon tossed two fastballs past the lead-off hitter to jump out to a quick 0-2 count but then on the third pitch hit the batter on a tight fastball. A stolen base, followed by a walk, and a two-out double gave Worcester an early 2-0 lead. Worcester's hard throwing left-handed pitcher silenced Andover's offense as the Blue sent only ten batters to the plate in the first three innings and could only salvage a double to the left-center gap by captain Mike Turner '00 in the second inning. Worcester added another three runs in the second inning, which resulted from two walks, two doubles, and a stolen base.

Hordon seemed to be rolling through the fourth and fifth inning as he faced only seven batters, striking out two of them. In the fifth, Worcester put together three singles to up its lead to 7-0. The Big Blue's offense was sparked once again by Turner in the fifth when he crushed a double into the right center gap again. Consecutive walks to Danny Long '00 and Davis Thurber'00 brought to the plate Andrew Salini '02, who drove a 1-2 pitch past the second baseman. With two runs on the board, shortstop Andover sent Ted Jutras '01 to the plate. Jutras was patient at the plate and dropped an opposite field single over the second baseman's head to knock in Andover's third run of the game. Joe Conlon '00 was able to bring in the fourth run as he beat out the throw to first base. With four runs tallied, Andover trailed Worcester 7-4 heading into the sixth inning.

Salini replaced Hordon on the mound and pitched two strong innings. Only in the seventh was Worcester able to put its eighth and final run across the plate to seal the game.

Although it was not one of Hordon's best outings, he finished the game having pitched five innings and allowing eight hits, four walks, four

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Brandon Dickerson '00 delivers a pitch last week as thirdbaseman Ted Jutras '00 and a fan look on.

4/24/00

BASEBALL DROPS BALL IN 8-4 LOSS TO WORCESTER

Top of Order Generates Little Offense; Turner Has Three Doubles

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earned runs, and seven strike outs. Salini pitched a solid game, as he pitched two innings and gave up no hits, one walk, and one earned run on a pitcher's balk. Defensively, Mark Ottariano '00 and Jeff Heighington '00 played strong games for their squad. Turner tried to jump start Andover's offense numerous times as he went three for three at the plate with three doubles. Andover did not play well in the field and had trouble putting runs on the scoreboard. Andover hoped to redeem itself against Harvard on Wednesday, but were canceled as a result from the snow and sleet. Andover faces a tough NMH team in a doubleheader on this coming Saturday.

WORCESTER 8, ANDOVER 4

WORCESTER	AB	R	H	RBI	BB
Quoglien, lf	3	1	0	0	0
McNamara, ss	3	1	0	0	0
Bigda, 2b	3	1	1	3	1
Page, p	1	1	0	1	1
Adler, cf	4	1	3	2	0
McGinnis, 3b	4	1	0	0	0
Zaitdik, dh	2	1	2	1	1
Topp, c	3	1	2	0	0
Fisher, 1b	3	0	0	0	0
Noce, rf	0	0	0	0	0
sub-Nicas, cf	1	0	0	0	0
Totals	26	8	8	7	3

ANDOVER					
Conlon, 2b	4	0	2	1	0
Heighington, 3b	3	0	0	0	1
Hordon, p	3	0	0	0	0
Ottariano, lf	3	0	0	0	0
Turner, c	3	1	3	0	0
Long, 1b	2	1	0	0	1
Thurber, rf	2	1	0	0	1
Salini, cf	3	1	1	2	0
Jutras, ss	3	0	1	1	0
Totals	26	4	7	4	3

Worcester	230	020	1	8	8	0
Andover	000	040	0	4	7	3

2B- (PA) 3 (Turner). **SAC-** (NA) 1 (Mitchell). **SB-** (W) 3/3 (Quoglien) (McNamara) (Bigda). **HP-** (W) 1 (Quoglien).

Andover	IP	R	ER	H	K	BB	WP
Hordon (l)	5	7	4	8	7	4	0
Salini	2	1	1	0	2	1	0
Totals	7	8	5	8	9	5	0

Mixed Week Finds Baseball Triumphant by Wednesday

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NMH	15
Andover	5

NMH	4
Andover	3

Andover	4
Worcester	3

5/1/00

Andover	3
Wilbraham & Monson	2

5/3/00

The Phillips Academy baseball team went 2-2 in the past week, dropping both games of a Saturday doubleheader at NMH, and winning at home against Worcester on Monday and Wilbraham & Monson on Wednesday.

4/29/00

Andover lost the first game against NMH 15-5. The Blue never really got it going, and it cost them in the end. At the plate, Andover bats were anemic. Andover hitters struck out five times and managed only one run in the first three innings. Ted Jutras '01 started the game and pitched three innings, giving up five runs. The NMH squad hit the ball well, and when combined with two fielding errors, led to a 5-1 NMH lead after three innings. Andover's lone run was scored by Andrew Salini '02 who singled and was advanced on a double by Danny Long '00, a single by Dave Frisch '02.

Salini, replaced Jutras at the start of the fourth inning. Salini (1-0) was suffering from arm pain, and had trouble with his control. Salini walked three and gave up six runs before he was replaced by reliever Martin Fox '01. Fox tried to stop the bleeding, but before it was over, NMH had scored nine runs in the inning and held a commanding 14-1 lead. In the final three innings, Andover started to come alive at the plate, but it was too little too late.

Andover combined singles from Pat Linnemann '02, Frisch, Marc Hordon '00, and Adjatay Nyadjroh '03, and doubles by Andrew Salini and Martin Fox to score four more runs, but NMH held on and won the game by a final of 15-5.

Andover was hungry for a win in the second game and played great baseball from the beginning. Jeff Heighington '00 started for Andover, and pitched six solid innings. He mixed up his pitches well and relied upon some terrific defensive plays to get him out of some tight situations, including a beautiful barehanded double play that he fielded. Andover jumped out to a two run lead in the first inning with singles by Heighington and Salini, and a blast to center for a double by catcher Marc Hordon. Andover added another run in the fourth when shortstop Ted Jutras scored on a towering double by third baseman Davis Thurber '00.

Andover held a slim 3-2 lead going into the bottom of the sixth inning. Unfortunately, Heighington gave up two runs, giving the lead to NMH, 4-3. Andover tried to piece a rally together in the top of the seventh with a leadoff single by Salini, but any hopes of a last minute comeback were dashed when Mark Ottariano '00 grounded to third, and Danny Long and Ted Jutras struck out, leaving the final at 4-3, NMH. Although receiving the loss, Heighington pitched a strong six innings for Andover allowing nine hits and two earned runs while striking out three.

After a disappointing weekend, Andover faced Worcester Academy on Monday. The game was marked by strong starting pitching by Brandon Dickerson '00, and solid defense in the field. In five innings pitched, Worcester managed three runs off of Dickerson, who was replaced by Marc Hordon in the sixth inning. Dickerson silenced the Worcester offense allowing only six hits and two walks through five innings.

Andover had trouble with the bats as they did not score until the fourth inning when the Worcester Jeff Heighington was issued a free pass, Adjatay Nyadjroh singled and then Andrew Salini crushed a fastball into right center for a double. However, that was all that Andover could muster as the Worcester squad held them scoreless in the fifth and sixth innings.

Marc Hordon replaced Dickerson on the mound pitching two scoreless innings to keep Andover in the game. Things looked grim though, as in the bottom of the seventh, Andover trailed 3-2. Trying to pull off a much-needed win, Mike Turner '00 led off in the seventh, and received a purple heart as he was hit by a pitch. Mark Ottariano followed with a single, placing runners on first and second with nobody out. A sacrifice bunt by Jutras moved the runners to second and third. David Frisch, in a pinch-hitting role, went to bat but was unable to catch up to the pitcher's fastball, striking out. Second baseman Joe Conlon '00 came up in a do-or-die situation with two on and two out. With an 0-2 count, Conlon poked a weak flare towards right field. It swirled high in the wind and looked although it would be caught, but the hustling right fielder was unable to make the catch as it nicked off the end of his glove. Both runners scored, and Andover won the thriller 4-3.

After coming off of a hard fought win, Phillips Academy squared off against Wilbraham & Monson. The game started off a pitcher's duel, as neither team scored for the first three innings. Starter Martin Fox (1-0) mixed his curveball and fastball well, holding Wilbraham to six hits and two runs in five innings of work. But Andover's hitters were cold, striking out seven times in the first four innings. After four and a half innings, Wilbraham led 2-0.

In the bottom of the fifth, Andover took a 3-2 lead with a seeing-eye grounder by Danny Long, and singles by right fielder Davis Thurber and second baseman Joe Conlon. TO preserve the win, Andover sent David Frisch into pitch. Making his Andover debut on the mound he pitched two scoreless innings.

In what was a very busy week for Andover, the Blue bounced back from the disappointing double loss at NMH and combined heads up play with solid pitching to win the next two games. A double-header at Exeter this weekend should prove to be a challenge, as Exeter is leading the league.

NMH 15, ANDOVER 5

Andover	AB	R	H	RBI	BB
Conlon, 2b	5	0	0	0	0
Heighington, 3b	3	0	1	0	0
Thurber	1	0	0	0	0
Hordon, cf	4	1	1	0	0
Turner, c	3	0	1	0	0
Chang	1	0	0	0	0
Salini, dh	2	1	2	0	1
Linnemann, p	1	1	1	0	0
Ottariano, lf	2	0	0	0	0
Fox, p	2	1	2	2	0
Long, 1b	3	0	1	1	1
Frisch, ss	3	2	1	1	1
Nyadjroh, rf	3	0	1	0	0
Jutras, p	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	31	5	10	4	3
NMH					
Lucier, 3b, 2b	4	1	2	0	0
Roache, 1b	4	2	1	0	1
Hunter, lf	3	2	1	0	1
Bergeron, p, 3b	3	2	1	2	0
Swiniarski, c	4	1	1	0	0
Martin, rf	3	3	2	0	1
Greeley, cf	3	1	0	0	1
Lake, 2b	3	1	2	0	0
Beays, ph	1	0	0	0	0
Clark, ss	2	2	2	0	1
Totals	30	15	12	2	5

Andover	010	011	2	5	10	11
NMH	113	901	x	15	12	6

Andover	IP	R	ER	H	K	BB	WP
Jutras	3	5	3	6	1	1	1
Salini	0.1	6	5	2	0	3	5
Fox	2.2	4	3	4	3	2	2
Totals	6	15	3	12	4	6	8

ANDOVER 4, WORCESTER 3

Worcester	AB	R	H	RBI	BB
Quaglieri, lf	4	0	0	0	0
McNamara, ss	4	1	1	0	0
Bigda, 2b	4	0	2	0	0
Pago, dh	1	0	0	0	0
Pemstein, pr, rf	0	1	0	0	1
Adlen, cf	3	1	1	0	0
Topp, c	2	0	0	0	0
McGinnis, 3b	3	0	2	0	0
Mitra, 1b	2	0	1	1	0
Noel, rf	3	0	0	0	0
Totals	26	3	7	1	1
Andover					
Nyadjroh, cf	3	1	1	0	0
Heighington, 3b	2	0	0	0	1
Hordon, p, 1b	3	1	0	0	0
Salini, rf	2	0	1	1	1
Turner, dh	2	0	0	0	0
Long, pr	0	1	0	0	0
Otariano, lf	3	1	1	0	0
Jutras, 1b	2	0	1	0	0
Chang, c	1	0	0	0	0
Frisch, ph	1	0	0	0	0
Conlon, 2b	3	0	1	2	0
Dickerson, p	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	22	4	5	3	2

Worcester	011	001	0	3	7	0
Andover	000	200	2	4	5	2

Andover	IP	R	ER	H	K	BB	WP
Dickerson	5	3	2	6	1	2	1
Hordon (w)	2	0	0	1	1	0	0
Totals	7	3	2	7	2	2	1

NMH 4, ANDOVER 3

Andover	AB	R	H	RBI	BB
Frisch, 2b	4	0	0	0	0
Heighington, p	2	1	2	0	2
Hordon, c	2	1	1	1	2
Salini, rf	4	0	2	1	0
Ottariano, lf	4	0	1	0	0
Long, 1b	4	0	1	0	0
Jutras, ss	4	1	2	0	0
Thurber, 3b	3	0	1	1	0
Nyadjroh, cf	3	0	0	0	0
Totals	30	3	10	3	4
NMH					
Lucier, 2b	4	0	0	0	0
Martin, p	3	0	2	0	0
Hunter, 7	3	0	1	0	0
Bergeron, 3b	3	0	1	0	0
Roache, 1b	3	1	1	0	0
Swiniarshi, c	2	1	1	0	0
Greeley, cf	3	1	0	0	0
Bowey, rf	2	1	2	1	1
Clark, ss	2	0	1	0	1
Totals	25	4	9	1	2

Andover	200	100	0	3	3	2
NMH	001	102	x	4	4	3

Andover	IP	R	ER	H	K	BB	WP
Heighington	6	4	2	9	3	2	0
Totals	6	4	2	9	3	2	0

ANDOVER 3, WILBRAHAM 2

Wilbraham	AB	R	H	RBI	BB
Ouellet, cf	3	0	2	1	1
Bell, ss	4	0	0	0	0
Allord, c	2	1	1	0	1
Reese, p	3	0	1	0	0
Lincoln, lf	2	0	1	0	0
Crowther, rf	2	0	0	0	0
Zajdel, 1b	2	0	0	0	1
Lonczak, 2b	3	1	2	0	0
Sugeyoma, 3b	3	0	0	0	0
Totals	24	2	7	4	3
Andover					
Nyadjroh, cf	1	0	0	1	1
Heighington, 3b	3	0	0	0	0
Hordon, c	3	0	0	0	0
Salini, dh	3	0	0	0	0
Ottariano, lf	3	0	0	0	0
Long, 1b	2	1	1	0	0
Jutras, ss	1	1	0	0	1
Thurber, rf	2	1	1	0	0
Conlon, 2b	2	0	1	2	0
Fox, p	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	20	3	3	3	2

Opponent	000	110	0	2	7	1
Andover	000	030	x	3	3	0

Andover	IP	R	ER	H	K	BB	WP
Fox (w)	5	2	2	6	5	2	0
Frisch (s)	2	0	0	1	1	1	0
Totals	7	2	2	7	6	3	0

Baseball Rebounds From Weekend Double Header Losses to NMH And Wins Two One-Run Nailbiters Despite Depleted Pitching Staff

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Ted Jutras '01 slides safely back into first base during Andover's seventh-inning, come-from-behind win over Worcester on Monday.

Baseball Splits Double-Header vs. Exeter as Heighington Hurls Shutout

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Exeter	**7**
Andover	**3**

Andover	**1**
Exeter	**0**

Andover squared off with rival Exeter in Saturday's double-header. Andover, which entered the contest with a 5-4 record thus far, looked to knock off a high powered offense who had only lost one game. These two games were crucial for the Big Blue because these two league games could mean the difference of eight points in the standings and knock Andover out of contention for the tournament.

Andover's ace, Marc Hordon '00 was on the mound for Andover in search of his third win of the season. Following the first inning, Hordon seemed to be on a role as he cruised, going 1-2-3 in the inning with two strikeouts. In the second inning though, Exeter's bats came alive as they exploded for four runs. A leadoff walk and three singles put Exeter on the scoreboard with three runs. The Andover players were able to provide Hordon with some support as they scored in the second inning. Mark Ottariano '00 led off the second with a base hit up the middle. Danny Long '00 followed with a hard hit grounder to the second baseman, enabling Ottariano to advance. With Ted Jutras '01 advancing the runner on a fielder's choice, Andover sent Ben Chang '02 to the plate. Chang was patient, and with a 2-1 count drove a fastball to deep right-field, allowing Ottariano to score easily. With this early lead, Andover still found itself trailing by a score of 3-1.

As Andover's bats fell silent, Exeter began to manufacture runs at the plate. In the third inning, Exeter added two more runs on a single and a homerun. Hordon fought back in the fourth inning as he went 1-2-3 and struck out the side. In his fifth and final inning of work, Hordon faced the meat of Exeter's line-up. Exeter sent its best player, Sam Fulds to the plate. With a 3-1 count, he drove the next pitch to right and raced around the bases for a homerun as Andover made a few bobbles on the relay to the plate. Andover was not able to provide any offense behind Hordon as he left the game trailing 6-1, after pitching five innings, allowing six runs on seven hits, and striking out seven. Brandon Dickerson '00 pitched the final inning for Andover, allowing one run. Andover's only other offense came in the final inning when Jutras singled, Chang tripled bringing home Jutras, and Joe Conlon '00 grounded to the right side of the infield, bringing home Chang for the final run. Andover lost by a final score of 7-3 but looked to steal the next game from Exeter with Jeff Heighington '00 on the mound.

Andover played hard-nosed baseball in the second game and with the help of spectacular pitching by Heighington, were able to work out of jams. In the first inning, Heighington surrendered a leadoff single, which seemed to rattle him as he walked the following two batters. With the bases loaded Heighington struck out the side to finish the inning without any damage. In the second inning, once again, Heighington struck out the side to keep Andover in the game. In the fourth inning, Andover scored the only run they would need to seal the win. A leadoff walk to Hordon started the offense as Salini advanced the runner to second on a hit and run. Ottariano knocked a single over the right fielder's head to score the only run of the game. With a 1-0 lead, Heighington gained confidence and was able to get into a groove as he faced only fifteen batters through the final four innings.

Heighington worked a marvelous seven innings, allowing no runs with only four hits and striking out a season high eleven batters. His fastball had great velocity and his off-speed pitches had incredible movement, which allowed him to keep the Exeter hitters off balance throughout the game.

After splitting a double header with Exeter, Andover improved to 6-5 on the season. On Wednesday, they were scheduled to face Cushing, but due to inclement weather, were unable to play. Andover will face Deerfield on Saturday in a double-header, Cushing on the following Monday, and Tabor on Wednesday. Deerfield and Cushing are the most important games for Andover as both teams are ahead of the Blue in the standings. The games this weekend could decide whether Andover wil make the tournament at Holy Cross the following Saturday.

EXETER 7, ANDOVER 3

ANDVOER	AB	R	H	RBI	BB
Nyadjroh, cf	4	0	1	0	0
Heighington, 3b	4	0	1	0	0
Hordon, p	3	0	1	0	3
Salini, rf	3	0	0	0	0
Ottariano, lf	3	1	2	1	0
Long, 1b	3	0	1	0	1
Jutras, ss	3	1	1	0	0
Chang, c	2	1	1	2	0
Conlon, 2b	3	0	0	1	0
Totals	28	3	8	3	4
EXETER					
Mather, 2b	4	0	0	0	0
Solomine, ss	3	1	0	0	0
Fuld, cf	3	1	2	0	0
Laettner, 3b	2	1	0	0	0
Boyle, 1b	3	2	3	0	1
Robbins, c	3	0	0	0	0
McPhillips, p	2	1	0	1	0
Hurley, lf	3	1	2	1	1
Verril, rf	3	0	1	2	1
Totals	26	7	8	4	3

Andover	000	100	0	1	6	5
Exeter	032	011	x	7	8	2

HR- (E) 2 (Fuld, Boyle). **3B**- (PA) 1 (Chang). **SAC**- (PA) 1 (Cahng) **SB**- (E) 3/3 (Solomine, Boyle, Hurley).

Andover	IP	R	ER	H	K	BB	WP
Hordon (L)	5	6	6	7	7	2	3
Dickerson	1	1	0	1	0	1	0
Totals	6	7	6	8	7	3	3

ANDOVER 1, EXETER 0

ANDOVER	AB	R	H	RBI	BB
Nyadjroh, cf	4	0	0	0	0
Heighington, p	4	0	2	0	0
Hordon, 1b	1	1	0	0	3
Salini, dh	4	0	1	0	0
Ottariano, lf	3	0	1	1	0
Chang, c	2	0	1	0	1
Frisch, ss	2	0	1	0	0
Thurber, 3b	3	0	0	0	0
Conlon, 2b	3	0	0	0	0
Linnemann, rf	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	26	1	6	1	4
EXETER					
Mather, 2b	2	0	1	0	1
Murnane, dh	1	0	0	0	0
Solomine, ss	3	0	1	0	1
Fuld, cf	3	0	0	0	1
Laettner, 1b, p	3	0	0	0	0
Boyle, p, 1b	3	0	1	0	0
Robbins, c	2	0	0	0	0
McPhillips, 3b	3	0	1	0	0
Hurley, lf	3	0	0	0	0
Verrill, rf	2	0	0	0	0
Nasveschak, dh	1	0	0	0	0
Totals	26	0	4	0	3

Andover	000	100	0	1	6	2
Exeter	000	000	0	0	4	2

SAC- (PA) 1 (Frisch).

Andover	IP	R	ER	H	K	BB	WP
Heighington (W)	7	0	0	4	11	3	0
Totals	7	0	0	4	11	3	0

Jeff Heighington '00

"Heighington looked like Pedro on Saturday. He was untouchable."
—Pat Linnemann '02

by Diana Dosik
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS ASSOCIATE

Jeffrey Heighington is the star pitcher of Andover's Varsity Baseball team. Last Saturday, Heighington pitched a complete game shutout against Exeter, a crucial win for the Andover team. Although PA had lost the first game of its Exeter doubleheader 7-3, Andover came out with a 1-0 win in the second game, as Heighington pitched out of two bases-loaded jams, with 11 strikeouts, giving up only 4 hits and 3 walks. Even Sam Fuld, the 20th high school recruit in the nation, a first-team High School All American, struck out twice. Hitting 2-4 at the plate as well, Jeff is a two-year Varsity player who starts every game either on the mound or at third base. Jeffrey's dedication to the team and love for baseball has earned him the Athlete of the Week award.

Jeff Heighington is a day student from Dracut, Massechusetts, where he has lived his entire life. His older brother Brian graduated from Andover in 1998; his brother Andrew '03 is a junior, and Dave, only twelve, is sure to be crossing the great lawn someday. Jeff's baseball exposure began when he was very young. Starting with his days as a batboy for his brother Brian's travel summer team, Jeff felt that baseball was "a very exciting thing to be around." Trips to see the Red Sox play at Fenway Park during Jeff's childhood inspired a love for the energy of a fully packed stadium. Baseball enthusiasts and Jeff's biggest fans, his parents come to watch every game.

Remembering one of his best baseball moments, Jeff describes his first American Legion game for Hudson, NH Post 48. They were playing archrival Nashua Legion Post, and Jeff subbed in for his brother Brian at short stop. Shaking off his nerves, Jeff batted 2-4, with 3 RBIs (runs batted in), helping the team to a 7-4 victory. "I knew from that game on I had the ability to play baseball at such a competitive level," Jeff concluded.

Heighington began his baseball career when he was only six years old, joining the Dracut Recreational League. Balancing academics at Ste. Jeanne D'Arc, the parochial school in Lowell where Jeff spent his first nine years of school, and his love for baseball, he remained on this team until he was fourteen, spending his summer days playing ball for the Babe Ruth League and the Lou Tompkins Division.

When Jeff entered Central Catholic High School in Lawrence his freshman year, he played first and third base. Throughout the entire season on the freshman team, Jeff never had the chance to pitch. Seeing "the opportunities [his] brother Brian was getting in sports, academics, music, and extracurriculars," Heighington decided to join his older sibling at PA. A versatile athlete, Heighington jumped into the action, playing interscholastic sports all three seasons his first year. Jeff runs cross-country in the fall every year, earning a Varsity letter in the 1999 season. In the winter of 1997, Jeff played JV2 basketball, although he transitioned to Cluster basketball the following season.

When Jeff tried out for the Andover Baseball team, he made it to the very end and was one of the last players to be cut. Disappointed at the time, Jeff reflects, "the cut was probably the best thing, now that I look back on it, because it gave me the chance to play everyday, and gave me enough confidence to know that I could pitch at the Varsity level." Jeff hit the ground running his upper year, making the Varsity squad and earning a 2-1 record with a 1.50 ERA (earned run average). Though he stumbled midway through the 1998 season, dislocating his shoulder and missing three games, Heighington was back on track for the Andover-Exeter game. In his final PA season, Jeff is continuing his pitching strength, with a record of 1-2 and a 2.67 ERA. In 21 innings, Jeff has pitched 25 strikeouts, with a .353 batting average and a .512 on-base percentage.

Though the baseball team "struggled a little early on in the season,"

they have "been playing more like a team with good pitching, defense, and timely hitting," remarks Jeff optimistically. "The young players on our team have played well...we have some very talented ballplayers," he continued. Now vying for one of the top four spots in the League Tournament on May 20th, Jeff hopes both to win the Championship and beat Exeter on Andover Exeter weekend. "I hope personally to be a leader by leading with example and hustle," explains Heighington. Concerned for the future of the program, Jeff also strives as much as he can to the younger members of the squad. "Our team is great," affirms Heighington. "We have great senior talent, and a young core of players who have fit in so well with the program. Coach Cline, McGraw, and Sturges have been so supportive of me and the team, and have given me every opportunity possible to prove myself."

In addition to these great coaches, Jeff attributes his success to his brother Brian, teammate Marc Hordon '00, pitching coach Bob Stanley, former teammate Matthew Palmer '99, and his grandfather. "Since I was a little kid, he took me to the batting cages and has given me, along with my parents, every opportunity to excel." Jeff also looks up to Pedro Martinez, "because he is just about the same size as me and has the same pitches with the same movement, but he throws about 15 mph faster."

If he is not playing baseball, Jeff can be often found playing the organ or keyboard. He is also a Bread Loaf Pen Pal and an Andover Ambassadors Board Member, and enjoys football, golf, basketball, and running. Heighington plans to attend Babson College in the fall, a Division 3 school where he was recruited for baseball.

Mixed Week for Baseball Highlighted By Hordon 9-Inning, 2-Hit Shutout

By Pat Linnemann
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS ASSOCIATE

Andover	13
Deerfield	5
Deerfield	9
Andover	4
Andover	1
Cushing	0
Cushing	15
Andover	14
Tabor	19
Andover	3

Entering last Saturday's match against Deerfield, Andover carried a 6-5 record. A double header against Deerfield and games against Cushing and Tabor would determine the outcome of Andover's season. After coming off a 1-0 win against archrival Exeter, Andover squared off against Deerfield on a gray Saturday afternoon.

Andover had senior Brandon Dickerson on the mound hoping to pitch a strong game. Through his first four innings of work, Dickerson surrendered only two runs in the second inning, after allowing three singles and a double. With a strong seven hit performance, it was up to Andover's offense to produce runs. The Big Blue started things off when Andrew Salini '02 crushed a triple to left-center. Mark Ottariano '00 followed with a double of his own, scoring Salini easily. A walk by Danny Long '00 and a line drive double by Ben Chang '02 put Andover on top 3-0. Andover added its fourth run of the inning on a RBI by Joe Conlon '00. In the third inning, Captain Mike Turner started a scoring rally with a single, which was followed by a double by Ottariano, and singles by Long and Ted Jutras '00. Andover led 5-2 after the third and added two more runs in the fourth. Salini entered the game in relief for Dickerson and surrendered only two runs through 1 and 1/3 innings. Andover knotted six more insurance runs in the sixth inning with singles by Heighington '00, Turner, Chang, and another double by Ottariano. Frisch pitched the final five outs to seal an all-important 13-5 victory for Andover.

Jeff Heighington took the mound for Andover in the second game of the double header. Heighington cruised through the first three innings without any harm. On offense, Andover scored two runs in the second after Ottariano doubled and Long smacked a home run to deep right center. In the third, Turner and Salini singled and were driven home on a Long double. After a quick 4-0 lead, Andover began to relax, and careless play allowed nine runs to cross the plate in the second half of the game. In the fourth inning Deerfield added three to the scoreboard and four in the fifth. Frisch relieved

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5/13/00
5/17/00

Tabor Rips Baseball Apart 19-3 As Pitching, Defense Take Day Off

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Heighington and tried to stop the bleeding as he only let up two hits and two runs. Deerfield pitching silenced Andover's bats as they were not able to score any more runs and lost a heartbreaker by a score of 9-4.

With a 7-5 record entering Monday's match up with Cushing, Andover knew that it would need a victory to have a shot at getting into the tournament. Andover's ace, Marc Hordon, looked to carry the team to a win. The entire game was a pitcher's duel as Andover's spectacular pitching and superb defense held a high powered Cushing team scoreless. Both pitchers carried a scoreless game into the ninth as Andover led the inning off with Andrew Salini. Salini was issued a free pass and stole second. With one out, Long drove a fastball up the middle to score the game-winning run. Hordon picked up the win as he pitched nine innings, struck out nine, and two hits.

Andover looked to add another win as they continued a tie game against Cushing following their 1-0 win. The game began in the top of the eighth with the score 14-14. Salini started with a single and Joe Conlon was robbed on an extra base hit by the opposing centerfielder, who made an amazing catch. Cushing came to bat in the bottom of the eight and a leadoff walk proved deadly for the Bug Blue. Two batters later, Cushing roped a single in the left-center gap to take the game by a final score of 15-14.

Andover needed to beat Tabor in Wednesday's game and hope for some other teams to lose in order to get into Saturday's tournament. The long bus ride was costly for Andover as they came out flat. A combination a great hitting and sloppy defense allowed Tabor to score nineteen runs. Jutras started the game for Andover and was relieved by Martin Fox '01 and Davis Thurber '00. Andover's only three runs were scored on a Long's single and Marc Hordon's two run home run. Andover did not play well, and the team was knocked out of contention for the tournament. Andover plays its last game a week from tomorrow against Exeter.

ANDOVER 13, DEERFIELD 5

Deerfield	AB	R	H	RBI	BB
Leist, cf	3	1	1	0	1
Wright, lf	3	1	0	0	1
McIntosh, 3b	3	2	3	3	0
Moss, c	4	0	0	0	0
Kelley, 1b	4	0	1	1	0
Hassen, 2b	4	0	1	0	0
Smith, p	3	0	1	0	1
Goodman, dh	3	0	1	0	0
Miller, ss	2	1	0	0	1
Outerbridge, rf	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	30	5	8	4	5
Andover					
Nyadjroh, cf	5	1	1	0	0
Heighington, 3b	4	1	2	1	0
Turner, dh	4	0	2	0	0
Salini, rf	3	1	1	0	0
Ottariano, lf	4	3	3	3	0
Long, 1b	3	1	1	1	1
Jutras, ss	3	1	2	0	0
Chang, c	4	2	2	3	0
Conlon, 2b	3	1	0	0	1
Dickerson, p	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	35	13	14	8	2

Deerfield	002 012 0	5	8	4
Andover	041 206 x	13	14	6

Andover	IP	R	ER	H	K	BB	WP
Dickerson (W)	4	2	2	7	1	1	1
Salini	1.1	3	2	0	1	4	1
Frisch	1.2	0	0	1	2	0	0
Totals	7	5	4	8	4	5	2

TABOR 19, ANDOVER 3

Andover	AB	R	H	RBI	BB
Frisch, ss	4	0	2	0	0
Heighinton, 3b	4	1	1	0	0
Hordon, cf	3	1	2	2	0
Salini, rf	1	0	0	0	1
Turner, dh	0	0	0	0	1
Ottariano, lf	4	1	0	0	0
Long, 1b	1	0	1	0	1
Chang, c	2	0	0	0	0
Thurber, 2b	3	0	0	0	0
Jutras, p	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	26	3	6	2	5
Tabor					
Tomes, 2b	3	4	3	1	1
Swinlarski, rf	4	2	1	1	1
Foley, dh	3	3	2	1	0
Fitzpatrick, 3b	4	2	3	1	1
Hill, lf	5	0	2	1	0
O'Shaughnessy, c	4	0	1	1	0
Nutting, ss	4	3	2	0	1
Dalton, 1b	5	0	0	0	0
O'Brien, cf	3	3	2	1	0
Totals	37	19	17	8	4

Andover	010 020 0	3	6	5
Tabor	246 502 x	19	17	3

Andover	IP	R	ER	H	K	BB	WP
Jutras (L)	2.2	11	7	8	2	3	0
Fox	1.1	6	5	7	1	2	0
Thurber	2	2	2	2	1	0	1
Totals	6	19	14	17	4	5	1

ANDOVER 1, CUSHING 0

Cushing	AB	R	H	RBI	BB
Tarantino, lf	4	0	0	0	0
Howard, rf	2	0	0	0	1
Mallozzi, cf	3	0	0	0	1
Youngelaus, 1b	4	0	0	0	0
Houkal, p	4	0	1	0	0
Mazza, c	4	0	0	0	0
Gadoury, ss	1	0	0	0	3
Serls,3b	4	0	1	0	0
Vidal, 2b	2	0	0	0	1
Totals	28	0	2	0	6
Andover					
Hordon, 2b	3	0	1	0	0
Heighington, rf	4	0	0	0	0
Turner, dh	4	0	0	0	0
Salini, 3b	3	1	0	0	1
Ottariano, lf	4	0	1	0	0
Long, c	3	0	1	1	1
Jutras, ss	1	0	0	0	2
Chang, 1b	3	0	0	0	0
Thurber, cf	3	0	1	0	0
Nyadjroh	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	28	1	4	1	4

Cushing	000 000 000	0	2	4
Andover	000 000 001	1	4	6

Andover	IP	R	ER	H	K	BB	WP
Hordon (W)	9	0	0	2	9	7	2
Totals	9	0	0	2	9	7	2

DEERFIELD 9, ANDOVER 4

Deerfield	AB	R	H	RBI	BB
Leist, cf	4	1	0	0	1
Hassen, 2b	4	1	0	0	0
McIntosh, 3b	3	2	1	0	1
Kelley, 1b	4	2	3	2	0
Wright, p	4	2	1	0	0
Smith, lf	3	1	2	0	1
Moss, c	4	0	2	1	0
Lines, rf	4	0	1	0	0
Miller, ss	4	0	0	0	0
Totals	34	9	10	3	3
Andover					
Nyadjroh, 2b	2	0	0	0	0
Heighington, rf	4	0	0	0	0
Turner, dh	3	1	1	0	1
Salini, 3b	3	1	1	0	1
Ottariano, lf	4	1	1	0	0
Long, c	3	1	2	4	0
Jutras, ss	3	0	0	0	0
Chang, 1b	2	0	1	0	1
Thurber, cf	3	0	2	0	0
Frisch, 2b	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	29	4	8	4	3

Deerfield	000 342 0	9	10	3
Andover	022 000 0	4	8	2

Andover	IP	R	ER	H	K	BB	WP
Heighington (L)	4.2	7	4	8	5	1	0
Frisch	2.1	2	2	2	1	2	0
Totals	7	9	6	10	6	3	0

A. Bowen/*The Phillipian*

Ben Chang '02 slides safely into second base and knocks the ball loose against Deerfield on Saturday.

SPORT: Crew - Boy's

YEAR: 1999-2000

CAPTAIN: Hunter Washburn
HOME ADDRESS:

MANAGER:
HOME ADDRESS:

COACH: Peter Washburn
ASSISTANT COACHES:

SEASON RECORD

WON 5 LOST 2 TIED 0

LETTER WINNERS

Baldwin, Andrew
Beinecke, Benjamin
Dietz, Carl
Feeny, Eric
Frechette, Zachary
Green, Adam
Husain, Hadi
Lo, JOnathan
Malcolm, Crystal
McKallagat, Christopher
Mueller, Michael
Panich, Evan
Sherman, Gregory
Smith, John
Steinert, MAtthew
Taylor, MArcus
Washburn, Hunter
Washburn, Spencer
Washburn, Taylor

BOYS' CREW

			PA	OPP
Sat. Apr. 15, 2000	(H)	Kent	Lost	
Sat. Apr. 22, 2000	(A)	St. John's/SIMSB/Exeter	1st boat won	
Sat. Apr. 29, 2000	(A)	Salisbury	4	0
Sat. May 6, 2000	(A)	St. Paul's	Lost	
Sat. May 13, 2000	(H)	Tabor/Exeter	Both Wins	
Sat. May 20, 2000	(H)	N.M.H.	win	
Sat. May 27, 2000	(A)	INterscholastics	2nd place	

Boys Crew Spoils Early Lead and Falls Late to Kent in Home Opener

by Eric Feeny
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Kent	**3**
Andover	**0**

BOYS CREW

The sun shone brightly for the Andover-Kent race on the Merrimack River on Saturday. It was a warm 70 degrees, and a cool breeze graced the river. Many fans, Kent, Andover parent, and otherwise showed up for the 2:00 race, perhaps in response to publicizing the event at the recent all-school meeting. Andover would have mixed results, with boys losing all three races, a reliving of last season's thrashing from Kent, yet girls winning their three.

At the command, "Ready All... Row!" Boys first boat(B1) started its race off with a 45-stroke start. Three quarter slide, half slide, three quarters, lengthen and full. By this time the stroke rating was at 44 strokes per minute. The boat held that pace for 20 strokes, gaining several seats on the Kent boat. After another twenty strokes at a 38 pace the boat had open water on Kent. This was just before the end of the first 500 meters. Upon coming out from under the bridge things began to look a little shaky for B1. Bow seat was slow getting his oar out of the water, rocking the boat. As the middle 500 meters progressed, Kent slowly and surely fought its way back. Andover had a rough stroke that dipped wildly to port at the catch, causing the starboard side to air-stroke, slowing the boat and allowing for further advancement by Kent. Two strokes later the boat lunged again.

After a short power ten intended to correct the errors of the crew and to pull the boat back into the race, two seat was slow getting out of the water. This problem was immediately followed by an over-the-head crab at the stroke seat. The shell fell to a crawl and rowing all but ceased. As rapidly as possible, B1 was swinging it again, but now nearly a length behind Kent.

By this point the stroke rating was down to 34, but there wasn't much acceleration behind the drives. The coxswain called for a sprint in the last 200 meters to narrow the gap. The only result of this call was an increased stroke rating of 36 for a few short seconds before it fell back. Nevertheless, Andover edged up on Kent to finish the race only half a length down. Final time was Andover 4:34.7, Kent 4:32.2.

This was the first time the boat had raced a 1500 meter piece together. The boat had practiced starting off at a slightly slower pace, more appropriate for a 2000 meter race. These two truths manifest their effects in the middle and late segments of the race, when the boat lacked strength and consistency. Errors followed and the race was lost.

The race of the second boats began much the same way. The Andover boat pulled ahead a few seats right away by rowing faster than usual, employing a 40-stroke pace for 35 strokes: five to push the boat to speed, 15 strokes high, 15 strokes settled. The boat settled into a 35-stroke pace, with a three seat lead. In the middle 500 meter, Kent slowly took back six seats. The race was still close up until the 1000 meter marker, when a port side rower caught his oar underneath the buoy, throwing him into a crab, and allowing Kent to jet ahead.

The boats had gone into the races respectful of Kent, a traditional powerhouse, and came out generally pleased about their performances. The boys look forward to revenge at Interschols.

D. Kurs/ *The Phillipian*

Despite their early lead, boys crew fell to a tough Kent squad.

4/15/00

R. Smith/ *The Phillipian*

Boys Crew first boat, pictured here launching in their new uniforms, prepare to race and beat last year's interscholastic champion Exeter at Lake Quinsigamond last Saturday.

Boys Crew Squeaks Past Five Rivals On Cold, Windy Lake Quinsigamond

by Eric Feeny and Evan Panich
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITERS

Boys crew put forth a good showing at Worcester last Saturday and looks forward to a promising season. The first boat beat out five other schools including PA–rival and last year's interscholastic champion Exeter. The second boat came in fourth, not too far behind the winner of that race, St. John's. After the boats were out of the water, coach Peter Washburn reflected, "Good boat race, every boat was in it. I'm proud of you... Good job."

This race was completely different from the Kent race the previous Saturday. The weather was overcast, wet, and windy in contrast to the sunny calm a week earlier. The race included six boats as opposed to two. The contest was held away instead of at home. And, most importantly, Andover came out on top.

After a forty-five minute bus trip, Andover crews pulled their shells off the trailer and pitched camp. Within thirty minutes the tent had been secured with tables of food underneath. Boats had all been rigged and B2, racing first, had put into the water for a pre-race warm-up. Because Lake Quinsigamond is short, warm-ups had to be altered accordingly.

Unfortunately, the boys' second boat did not bear the same fate that would later bless B1. Having waded the boat into the water, B2 rowed up to the start with their tailored regular pre-race warm-up, freezing cold under the fierce conditions.

Racing against the strong crews of Exeter, Tabor, Simsbury, and St. John's, the eight oarsmen of the second boat started the race with a five stroke start, and 15 at a high stroke rating of 41. They then settled at another high rating of 38, holding second place throughout the first 500 meters of the race, behind only the Exeter crew.

As in the previous week's race, the middle 500 meters proved to be the downfall for Andover. Although they took two power 10s, their stroke rating was only a moderate 32 strokes per minute, and St. John's managed to pass.

In the last 500 meters, a tired Andover crew, still in third place, attempted a sprint at 35 strokes per minute, while Simsbury slowly began to gain on Andover and ended up passing Andover at the very end, beating the boys by a thin margin of but a couple seats. Placing fourth of the five boats, a disappointed, though determined Andover second crew will prepare to race Salisbury tomorrow.

The first boat opted to walk their boat the extra distance to a dock downwind, hoping to keep their feet dry. They paddled up the course watching the girls' races and also some random four-person shell races. Because the wind make it difficult to align boats for the starts of those four races, things fell behind schedule. The rowers got a little

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4/22/00

Boys Crew Times

BOAT I	
ANDOVER	4:25.4
ST. JOHN'S	4:25.9
NMH	4:27.1
SIMSBURY	4:27.5
EXETER	4:33.8
TABOR	4:45.2
BOAT II	
ST. JOHN'S	5:08.0
EXETER	5:10.2
SIMSBURY	5:15.9
ANDOVER	5:16.8
TABOR	5:32.1
NMH	5:32.1

B1 BRAVES RAIN TO BEAT EXETER; B2 FINISHES 4TH

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cold waiting for the race, which perhaps explains their mild start.

B1 started their race cold in front of a whipping tailwind. They made a decent start, but still managed to fall two seats behind Exeter after their 45-stroke start. The boat was even with NMH, a seat up on St. John's, and very much in the proximity of Simsbury (the oars were nearly touching laterally). Tabor asserted a marginal lead on all the crews. Stroke ratings weren't as high they sometimes climb, moving to a 42, and settling to a 37, then sliding a little to a 36.

Entering into the middle 500, Andover swung it with the lead crews, not really pulling ahead, and swapped leads back and forth with the quicker boats. Exeter began falling back. NMH took it a little ahead. St. John's was nearby, rowing at the same speed and stroke rating. At this point Simsbury was even. Tabor was by now way back and out of the race. Somewhere in this middle 500 meters, coxswain Hadi Husain '00 called, "700 down. Take a ten for Zach," a custom to inspire power in this difficult stretch.

By the beginning of the end, Exeter had also fallen distantly behind to join Tabor in the rear. Husain, reporting the relative locations of nearby boats, screamed, "I want you to destroy them! Destroy the –" Expletives followed. The boys' rating shifted from 35 at 200 meters, and to a 38 for the 100 meter sprint. Andover B1 put some length on NMH and even on St. John's here. The boat continued to walk for the last bit of the race, holding the rating at a 39 to finish two seats up on St. John's and three-quarters of a length up on NMH.

Only the rowers in the stern had any idea that they had won the race and let off cheers. The bow four, finally grasping what had happened, let off hoots and hell-yeah's in earnest to express their jubilation. After the race Husain was spared being thrown into the river, mainly because everybody was cold and tired. When asked for an evaluation, Husain said, "Good race – it was tight. A little too close." It's good for a coxswain to keep a driving attitude like that, because it keeps the boat working.

Chris McKallagat '00 was also reached for comment, "Though there were certain things we liked about it, it was pretty sloppy." Similarly, Greg Sherman '01 said simply, "we won." In reference to the upcoming race he had a little more to offer, commenting, "We don't know what to expect… it's the first time we've ever raced Salisbury on their home course. We'll just have to show up ready for anything." This is pretty much the attitude of the boat. They were happy to have won, but only see the victory as a foot in the door.

Continuing Win Streak, Boys Crew Sweeps Over Salisbury

by Eric Feeny and Evan Panich
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITERS

Andover	**4**
Salisbury	**0**

Boys Crew swept Salisbury Saturday April 29th in both Varsity and JV races. It has been an extremely long time since Andover boys' crew has seen such resiliency from deep within its own ranks. The new crews from the all-boys school were left in Andover wakes.

This race was significant for several reasons beyond the decisive victory. This was the first time Andover had ever raced Salisbury on its course, a new crew in unfamiliar waters. The performance followed a 3-hour bus ride, the likes of which are notorious for unsettling sports teams. It is a historically difficult weekend to have a race on; usually the weekend is allowed for additional practices.

The absence of the girls' boats left a lot of trailer space on the bus. B1 took advantage of this and opted not to split their boat for travel. Immediately upon arrival the team rigged their boat and swung up and down the racecourse to get a feel for it. They yanked the boat back out of the water and anxiously awaited their turn at Salisbury.

Even though the Salisbury course was only 1300 meters in length, B1 was able to follow their regular warm-up pattern and was feeling good by the start. At the start they pulled way ahead early with their high speed, high intensity rowing. Settling from 42 stokes a minute to 38 they walked through the Salisbury crew early... two seats, three, four... and so on into the 500 meter point.

For the first time this season, the boys' rating did not ever fall below 37 –. B1 maintained and even expanded upon their lead so as to have a few seats of open water entering the last 300 meters of the race, but couldn't find any more strength by the end. Salisbury regained two or three seats, but had no chance at redemption.

Coming back from an extremely disheartening defeat on the 22nd at Lake Quinsigamond in Worcester, Andover's boys second boat was prepared to take on Salisbury last Saturday.

4/29/00

With the inspiring words of coaches Peter Washburn and Jon Bernstein ringing in their heads, Andover rowed up to the star with their normal pre-race warm-up. Having done this, B2 took a few extra practice starts, due to the lateness of the starting of previous races.

As soon as the race began, B2 pulled ahead with their 35-stroke start. Starting off at a rating of 41, and settling at a 35-strokes per minute, Andover pulled ahead by about a boat length. But as the Blue approached the 750 meter mark, the halfway point, Salisbury began to gain on Andover, and with 500 meters to go, Andover dropped to 33 strokes per minute, and lost a little more ground. With 350 meters left, Andover started its sprint, and held enough ground to win by 3 seconds, or about half of a boat length.

Although Saturday's race was great victory for the Andover boys' crew program, the bigger race is an away game against St. Paul's school this weekend. St. Paul's is a rowing powerhouse year after year, a measuring stick of sorts. Boys and girls will venture out into the northern wilds to contend with another long bus ride and a swarm of pestilent insects.

Photo Finish Goes to St. Paul's; Boys Look to Revenge at 'Schols

St. Paul's	**2**
Andover	**0**

by Eric Feeny and Evan Panich
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITERS

As boys' first and second boats settled into the middle of their season, they broke their winning streak, losing to rival and annual powerhouse St. Paul's School by only an instant. The first boats ought to have been decided by a photo finish, but none was available. After this race, in all probability, St. Paul's School will be seeded first in the league with Andover just behind in the number two spot. B1 and B2 now have to drop their oars in the water and accelerate through Exeter and Tabor this weekend on to Interschols in late May.

Launching onto the perfectly placid, man-made lake, B1 swung up the course with a warm-up not as solid as it had hoped for. It took the St. Paul's starter a good time to get both boats lined up, drifting through the start. Once he was satisfied he wasted no time in cordiality. The two calls sounded out, one immediately following the other, "Are you ready?" then "ROW!" A sound echoed through the woods as both crews slammed their oars down, rattling against the oarlocks. Andover jumped ahead first one seat, then three. Struggling they managed to maintain that lead until their 40th stroke when St. Paul's began to walk it back.

Coxswain Husain '00 screamed, "Don't let them move on you! Hold them off!" Swing as they might, the crew didn't manage to strap down at the high rating and the St. Paul's boat edged forward. By the middle of the race Andover was dead even, with St. Paul's still inching forward. St. Paul's also happened to be rowing at a much more controlled pace counting on set and power as opposed to the speed and adrenaline of the Andover crew. As had become customary, Husain called for a "power-15 for Frechette," stopping the advancement of the other crew.

Still down, moving into the last leg of the race, Andover moved up the stroke rating bit by bit for their sprint to the line. Both boats came out from under the bridge sprinting to win. The crowd of Andover and St. Paul's parents and students raised cheers for their boat, craning their necks eagerly to figure out who would be ahead, who would win. Even as the boats drew near it was anybody's race. Bow balls bounced back and forth with each stroke. St. Paul's ahead, then Andover, then St. Paul's, Andover again, back and forth and so they finished.

5/6/00

Nobody on shore had any idea who had won. The flagman shrugged and looked towards the coaches in the launches. It was decided St. Paul's by less than half a second. Many onlookers were dissatisfied with the call and as dedicated fans would do, blamed it on hometown refs. Ben Beinecke '02 from the second boat observed from shore that, "The bow balls were going back and forth [motioning with his hands] and both crossed the line at the same time. Only you guys [Andover] were just finishing a stroke and they [St. Paul's] were starting. So they passed you after the race."

Such an indecisive race doesn't leave all that much to be excited about. B1 didn't get beaten badly enough to get spurred into improvement, nor did they continue their winning streak. Still, crew is a sport known for self-motivated competitors. Exeter and Tabor will have something to say concerning the determination of Andover crew after Saturday's upcoming bout. It should also be noted that B1 needs to work

on getting full power out of their strokes at the high ratings they choose to race at. They started at a 42, falling to a 41 for twenty strokes, settling to a 39 that held for a while before dipping to 38, and then 37, picking it up again 39, 39, 41, and finishing at a 43. That's an ambitious pace in this league that could prove effective if they can find the power.

The second boat went into Saturday's race with St. Paul's knowing all-too-well that this was going to be a tough race. St. Paul's has the reputation of being a particularly strong crew, especially on their home course, which is one that coxswains dread because of the narrowness of the Turkey Pond course in the last 500 meters

As usual, Andover pulled ahead by a couple of seats quickly with their swift 35-stroke start. Although they started at a stroke rating of 40, after pulling ahead, Andover just sat, and did not pull ahead any further. Because of this, stroke Andy Baldwin '01 refused to settle to 36 at first and instead kept the rating high, at a 38. This forced coxswain Crystal Malcolm '01 to order the crew to settle 3 times over the course of the first 500 meters.

Having entered the middle 500 meters, St. Paul's began to move. Gradually they took back the seats Andover had taken at the start and pulled ahead another length. Nevertheless, they held their 36 strokes per minute, and rowed powerfully through the middle 500. With 40 strokes to go, Baldwin took the rating back up to 38, as Andover sprinted through the majority of the last 500 meters, and they ended up losing by a length and a few seats of open water. "We rowed well and i am not disapointed with our race, and will train hard for next week [Exeter and Tabor]." said Rob Smith '01 about the race. Tomorrow's race against Exeter and Tabor will prove to be very important.

The third and fourth boats put forth a good effort and were pleased with the day. St. Paul's has six solid eight-man crews and, despite their smaller student body, puts more emphasis on rowing. According to a St. Paul's fan, "It's actually cool to row here."

SPORT: CREW - GIRLS

YEAR: 1999-2000

CAPTAIN: Elizabeth Ghormley
HOME ADDRESS:

MANAGER:
HOME ADDRESS:

COACH: Kathryn Green
ASSISTANT COACHES:

SEASON RECORD

WON 5 LOST 1 TIED 0

LETTER WINNERS

Anderson, Elizabeth	Lind, Caroline
Bartlett, KAtherine	Locks. Sabrina
Blitzer, Margaret	Maxwell, Sarah
Frischkorn, Virginia	Reppert, Catherine
Gaughen, Kara	Saraidaridis, Julia
Ghormley, Elizabeth	Stephens, Julia
Henningsen, Caitlin	Talbot, Lindsay
Larson, Katharine	Thornton, Emily
Lasater, Elizabeth	Weiner, Rachel

GIRLS'CREW

			PA	OPP
Sat. Apr.15, 2000	(H)	Kent	Won	
Sat. Apr. 22, 2000	(A)	Simsbury/Exeter	1st & 2nd boats won	
Sat. May 6, 2000	(A)	St. Paul's	Lost	
Sat. May 13, 2000	(H)	Tabor/Exeter	Won	
Sat. May 20, 2000	(H)	N.M.H.	Won	
Sat. May 27, 2000	(A)	Interschols	Won!	

NEIRA CHAMPIONS

GIRLS CREW SWEEPS KENT IN FIRST RACE

ALL THREE BOATS WIN

Victory Over Powerhouse Is Good Omen for Season

by Julie Stephens
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	**3**
Kent	**0**

GIRLS CREW

After a hard week of practice in windy and cold conditions, the sun shown bright Saturday for the Andover girls' crew team. All three girls' boats won their races, the first sweep against Kent in recent memory. Racing a new course with the finish line just past the Andover docks and within sight of the crowd, the girls' team provided an excellent show for their loyal supporters.

The third boat set the tone in the first race of the day, beating Kent with an almost nine-second lead. Although the third boat has several novices in its ranks, the Andover crew looked considerably more experienced than their Kent competitors. Andover's open-water finish was an excellent baptism into the world of crew for the several G3 rowers racing in their first interscholastic competition.

The second boat then followed suit, taking a six-second lead against Kent. Although the G2 Kent and Andover crews were even coming out of the start sequence, the Andover girls quickly started walking up on Kent and made a decisive move coming through the bridge, which on the new course marks 500-meters down.

Led by Kate Larson '00 in the stroke

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seat, Andover consistently under stroked the Kent girls, increasing their lead with explosive leg power and rhythmic control. In comparison, Kent, who took considerably more strokes per minute but continued to fall behind Andover, appeared to be spinning its wheels. As the second boat crossed the finish line, their composed determination and refusal to be satisfied with anything less than an open-water finish shone in their exhausted, but satisfied smiles.

In the closest race of the day, the girls' first boat took a .68-second lead in the last ten strokes of their race. After a restart because of a collision in the first several seconds of the race, the Andover girls came back to the line ready to fight hard for the last girls' race of the day. Although Kent was up by between a half and full-boat length of water for the first thousand meters of the race, Andover fought hard to hang on and prevent Kent from solidifying their lead.

Then, with 500 meters left in the race, Andover took control of the race. Even from the shoreline spectators could feel the tone of the race changing. As the boats entered the last twenty strokes of the race, Sarah Maxwell '02, a returning first-boat rower but racing for the first time in the stroke seat, led the Andover girls in an explosive sprint towards the finish line. In an excellent display of their muscular endurance and tenacious perseverance, the girls pulled ahead in the last ten strokes of the race. In the Andover boat, tears of joy mixed with sweat as the officials announced the result to the crews and the cheering spectators on shore.

Saturday's results bode well for next weekend's race against Exeter and Simsbury.

4/15/00

Home Sweep Sets Tone For Girls Crew Season

Girls' Top Two Boats Lead Field in Strong Showing Despite Bad Weather

by Julie Stephens
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

The Andover girls' crew team had a wet and wild day last Saturday. Andover along with Exeter, Simsbury, NMH, Brookline, and Tabor traveled to Lake Quinsigamond in Worcester, MA, to brave hours of cold drizzle on land and a brisk tail wind on the water. In defiance of the conditions, however, competition was fierce and Andover walked away from the Worcester races with satisfying first-place finishes in their two varsity races and a second place finish in their G3 race.

The teams waded into knee-deep water to launch their boats without docks. Beginning with hectic starts because the Andover crew could not hear the official's starting commands in the wind, Saturday required flexibility on the part of everyone involved.

In addition to problems hearing commands at the start, difficulty in aligning the six crews in a floating start with wind and current constantly pushing boats of course delayed the starts of most races. Once the competition started, the wind made for short races, but the crews battled challenging conditions coming down the course. Rough weather on the Merrimack the week before, however, prepared the Andover crews well for their Saturday races.

In the girls' third boat race, despite missing the start commands because the crew could not hear the official, the Andover crew crossed the finish line second, ten seconds behind Exeter but with at least a six-second lead on the other four crews in their race.

Due to the confusion at the starting line, Andover began the race almost a boat-length of water down on the other crews but quickly started moving up on Tabor, NMH, and Brookline. After one of the Simsbury rowers caught a crab, Andover was able to pull past the Simsbury boat and focus their attention on closing the gap between their boat and Exeter's.

However, Exeter handled the rough conditions well during the remainder of the race and crossed the finish line with a decisive first-place finish. Andover followed, having rowed a solid last thousand meters of the fifteen-hundred-meter race, but in the end unable to fully make up for their deficit at the start.

The second-boat race followed, and again Andover had a difficult time hearing the start commands, but quickly pulled it together after the first five hundred meters and secured a first-place finish in the last five hundred meters of the race.

Down on four crews at the 500-meter mark, Andover took a power ten,

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Girls Crew

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using the strokes to pull their rowing together technically, ratchet up the power, and reestablish their position in the race. Maintaining their stroke rating at 31 strokes per minute but increasing the effectiveness of their power application, Andover pulled past all crews except Exeter by the thousand-meter mark.

Then, with another very strong power ten, Andover carved out a small lead on Exeter, which they increased to about six seats before the 1300-meter mark. Both Exeter and Andover then increased the rating for the last 200 meters of the race. Although Exeter fought back to decrease Andover's lead by a seat, the G2 girls held onto their position and finished just over four seconds before Exeter.

In the last race of the day, the Andover girl's first boat followed the example of their varsity teammates and also secured a first-place finish in the last third of the race.

Although all six crews sat at the line for several minutes because of delays in the racing schedule and difficulties in aligning the boats, the final race began without the glitches of the other girls' races. At the start the boats were still in a pack, with only a few seats of space differentiating the crews. By the end of the first five hundred, however, the Exeter boat had established itself in the lead, with Andover moving away from Simsbury, Tabor, NMH, and Brookline into a clear second position.

In the middle five hundred of the race, Exeter maintained a half-boat length of water lead on Andover; however, at the thousand-meter mark, Andover started closing the gap, and at 200 meters to go, the boats were close to even.

As both boats sprinted towards the finish line, one of the Exeter rowers caught a crab, causing visible disruption in the rowing of the girls in the middle of their boat. Grabbing the opportunity, Andover walked up several seats on the Exeter crew. Although the Exeter rowers quickly recovered from the crab, they were unable to make a significant dent in Andover's position, and Andover crossed the finish line with a lead of under a second.

After a long day of racing, the Andover girls left Lake Quinsigamond satisfied with their second weekend of success. Strong finishes against Kent two weekends ago and against five of their competitors last weekend certainly bode well for the rest of the season. However, this week the girls looked towards the future, focusing on the challenges ahead and starting a two-week period of preparation for their upcoming races against St. Paul's, last year's New England Champions.

Girls Crew Sunk Saturday by Traditional Power St. Paul's

by Julie Stephens
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

St. Paul's	**2**
Andover	**0**

GIRLS CREW

After two long weeks of practice, the Andover girls headed to Concord, NH and St. Paul's Turkey Pond ready for an intense day of racing last Saturday. For the first time this season, all four Andover boats faced interscholastic competition. Although the two Andover varsity boats lost their races, competition between the rival teams was fierce, and in a tough first-boat race St. Paul's set a new course record.

In the last race of the day, the St. Paul's first boat finished with a time of 4:50.0, breaking the school's home-course record and beating Andover by three seconds. In a very competitive race, Andover came out of the start and held onto a one to four seat lead during the first five hundred meters of the race. About half way through the race, however, St. Paul's took a power twenty. The decision gave St. Paul's the lead.

The boats stayed close up to the thousand-meter mark, where Andover used a power ten, but did not gain any significant ground in closing St. Paul's lead. The St. Paul's crew rowed a very strong last five hundred meters of the race, surging ahead during the sprint and crossing the finish line 3.3 seconds before Andover.

After both boats had crossed the finish, all sixteen rowers shouted words of appreciation for a tough competition. Many rowers in both boats could not find the energy to sit up from their exhausted collapse at the race's finish, but thanked their opponents for a race that the official at the finish line described as, "a very fast fifteen hundred meters."

In the second-boat race, Andover lost to St. Paul's by open water. While both boats were even coming out of the start, St. Paul's had a three-seat lead on the Andover crew by the five-hundred-meter mark.

Although Andover tried to fight its way back into the race at the five hundred meter mark with a power ten, St. Paul's momentum and technique kept them in the lead. For the next thousand meters of the race, the St. Paul's crew steadily increased its lead, cementing its win with a strong sprint to the finish line.

5/6/00

In the only Andover victory of the day, the Andover third boat beat St. Paul's by just less than ten seconds. After a strong start by St. Paul's, Andover spent the first five hundred meters of the race trying to close the small gap between its boat and St Paul's. Then at the five-hundred-meter mark, Andover took a power ten and gained a seat or two lead on St. Paul's.

The Andover crew then fought to maintain their lead for the next five hundred meters of the race. Despite aggressive power tens by both crews, by the thousand-meter mark the Andover crew had gained another seat on St. Paul's.

The tone of the race changed coming into the last five hundred, with Andover surging ahead another several seats before the bridge. With about twenty strokes to go in the race, both boats headed under the bridge. The alignment of the two boat, however, forced the St. Paul's coxswain to take the right arch rather than sharing the middle arch with Andover, as the normal course mandates.

When both boats met again, sev-

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G1 rows to a second place finish behind St. Paul's School.

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G3 TAKES ONLY PA WIN

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eral strokes later and once again w in sight of each other, the Ando coxswain was even with St. Pa bow ball. With a powerful sprint, Andover boat gained an open-w lead in the last several strokes of race.

Rowing after its G3 teamm but unable to secure a similar vict the G4 Andover crew lost by o water to the St. Paul's crew.

When asked about the girls formance on Saturday, Kathe Green, the head Andover girls' co commented, "The St. Paul's boats all really fast, but we are within st ing distant to challenge them w we see them again at Interschols."

This week, despite lighte storms and torrential rain, Andover crews have been wor hard on the Merrimack and on la preparation for their home against Exeter and Tabor Saturday.

SPORT: Cycling Team

YEAR: 1999-2000

CAPTAIN: Jessica Watson
HOME ADDRESS:

MANAGER:
HOME ADDRESS:

COACH: Judith Landowne
ASSISTANT COACHES:

SEASON RECORD

WON_____LOST_____TIED_____

LETTER WINNERS

Beck, Nathan	Siguler, George
Cannon, Robert	Stetson, Peter
Delude, Philip	Sullivan, Danforth
Mankoff, David	Watson, Jessica

MAY 2000

Phillips Academy Team Cycling Results

Sunday, 16 April - Bishop Hendricken
:cancelled

Wednesday, 26 April - Holderness Academy road race @ Plymouth, NH
A: PA 3rd to White Mountain & KUA. Dan Sullivan 3rd, Nate Beck 9th, Phil Delude 18th, Will Sigular 19th of 28 starters
B: PA 2nd to Holderness Rob Cannon 2nd, Peter Stetson 10th, Dave Mankoff 15th, Edoardo L'Astorina 17th of 19 starters
W: PA 4th Jessica Watson 2nd of 14 starters

Sunday, 30 May - White Mountain School road race @ Bethlehem, NH
A: PA tied for 3rd with Proctor to WMS & Exeter. Nate 10th, Will 11th, Phil 12th of 20 starters
B: PA 3rd to Holderness & Tilton. Rob 6th, Peter 10th, Dave 12th of 14 starters
W: PA 3rd to Proctor & WMS & Gould (tie). Jess 2nd of 12 finishers

Sunday, 7 May - Gould Academy road race @ Bethel, ME
A: PA 2nd to WMS. Nate 4th, Dan 7th, Phil & Will
B: PA 3rd to Holderness & WMS. Rob & Dave
W: PA 3rd. Jess 2nd

Wednesday, 10 May - Proctor Academy points race @ Loudon, NH
:cancelled due to rain

Cycling Races Well in First Meet of Season Despite Rain

by Jessica Watson
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Contrary to popular belief, Andover does have a cycling team, and after two canceled races, rainy weeks of training, and a last-minute snowstorm, it finally took to the pavement, dominating the hills in Holderness, NH. Five veteran racers, joined by four new teammates, prepared to bike in the men's A and B races and the women's race. The twenty-mile point-to-point road race began at Holderness School and continued up into the mountains, ending at Waterville Valley. Five miles into the race was a small time bonus, highlighting the sprinters of the pack on a course more suited to climbers.

The first race of the day was the men's A race, with Phil Delude '00, Will Sigular '01, Nate Beck '01, and Danforth Sullivan '02 taking the trail for Phillips Academy. Despite being dropped at the sprint for the time bonus, the guys battled back to rejoin the lead pack. At the last major hill and spring of the course, the tight group opened up, and Sullivan led the Big Blue to finish at third place, with Beck, Delude, and Sigular powering up behind.

Starting five minutes behind the A racers, the B race also stayed in a pack for most of the twenty miles. Not placing anyone in the time bonus did not hurt Andover's final standing; at the last spring, the pack loosened up, and Rob Cannon '02 won the sprint, stealing the glory from two Holderness racers. Just behind the front three, the pack, including Peter Stetson '03, pulled through the finish. Dave Mankoff '00 and Edoardo L'Astorina '00 finished soon thereafter.

In the last race of the rainy, blustery day, Jessica Watson '01 rode in the deepest female pack fielded in several years. At the time bonus, Watson and a veteran Proctor racer broke off from the pack. They rode together until the final sprint where Watson succumbed to Proctor, taking second overall.

This year's team has a good mix of experience and enthusiasm, and its pre-season hill training showed in the incredible racing at Holderness.

4/26/00

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Cycling, although snowed in at home on Wednesday, was able to ride down to Holderness for its first race of the season.

CYCLING FLAT AGAINST WHITE MOUNT. SCHOOL

Absences of L'Astorina And Sullivan Are Felt Strongly

by David Mankoff
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

CYCLING

Hampered by the absence of Edoardo L'Astorina '00, one of the team's three senior racers, and the recent illness of Danforth Sullivan, the team's top finisher in the previous race, Andover's cycling team faced a difficult challenge traveling to the White Mountain School in Bethlehem, NH this past Sunday. Unable to capture any first place victories, the team's strength showed through in its consistency, with third place team titles in the A, B, and Women's races on the difficult five-mile loop.

The day started with the 12:00 pm 4-lap class A race. In a display of team spirit and unity, Sullivan rode with his team for 2 of the 4 laps before pulling off to cheer for his teammates. The race was off to a fast start when an unexpected uphill sprint left Nate Beck '01, Will Sigulur '01, and Phil Delude '00 trapped behind the slower part of the pack. They spent much of the rest of the race in pursuit of the leaders, but the hilly course made the chase difficult and they finished consecutively with 10th, 11th, and 12th place finishes.

The B race also consisted of 4 laps around the White Mountain Campus – ample room to spread out Andover racers Rob Cannon '02, Peter Stetson '02, and David Mankoff '00. Mankoff, a weaker hill rider, fell off early in the first lap and finished 12th. Cannon and Stetson were able to keep up with the pack, finishing 6th and 10th respectively.

The Women's race exhibited the usual fierce competition between Proctor's Molly Lauridsen and Andover's Jessica Watson '01. An unusual breakaway in the first lap by a White Mountain racer left Watson in a panic to catch up. Eventually, the White Mountain racer fell back into the pack, leaving Watson and Lauridsen alone to battle it out to the finish line. Lauridsen came in first, followed by Watson only five seconds later. The third and fourth place riders crossed the finish line shortly after.

The Andover team hopes to continue and improve upon their success in the two remaining races in the season.

5/30/00

SPORT: GOLF

YEAR: 1999-2000

CAPTAIN: Brian Faulk
HOME ADDRESS:

MANAGER:
HOME ADDRESS:

COACH: Nathaniel Smith
ASSISTANT COACHES:

SEASON RECORD

WON 10 LOST 1 TIED 1

LETTER WINNERS

Ahamed, Azeem	Lee, Jeehae
Breen, David	O'Neill, Jeremiah
Cote, Daniel	Pucillo, Anthony
Drummond, Mark	Rechnitz, Michael
Faulk, Brian	St. Peter, Mitchell
Ford, James	Tonelli, Michael

GOLF

			PA	OPP
Sat. Apr. 8, 2000	(H)	Tabor	6	6
Wed. Apr. 12, 2000	(H)	Exeter/GDA/ (Trullbrook)	417	431 EX
				440 GD
Thurs. Apr. 13, 2000	(H)	Belmont HIll (Trullbrook)	4.5	7.5
Wed. Apr. 19, 2000	(H)	Holderness (Trullbrook)	8.5	3.5
Wed. Apr. 26, 2000	(A)	Milton/BBN	rain cancelation	
Fri. Apr. 28, 2000	(A)	Middlesex/BBN	rain cancelation	
Sat. April 29, 2000	(H)	Tilton Rowley	6	0
Wed. May 3, 2000	(A)	St. MArk's	6	2
Wed. May 10, 2000	(A)	Thayer	rain cancelation	
Sat. May 13, 2000	(A)	GDA/Exeter	207	211 EX
				216 GD
Wed. MAy 17, 2000	(H)	Rivers	5.5	1.5
Sat. May 20, 2000	(A)	Exeter/GDA (Ports)	419	422 EX
				453 GD

Won Lovell Cup from PEA 9-5

Won Witherspoon Bowl

1043 PA

1064 PEA

1109 GDA

Golf Sinks Both Exeter and Governor Dummer; Windy Conditions Have Little Effect on Scores

by Fred Martignetti
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

In a great start to this year's golfing season, the Phillips Academy "Ruff Ryders" completed their first two contests with a 1-0-1 record. The win and the more impressive occured last Wednesday at the windy Trull Brook Country Club course against both the Govenor Dummer Academy and the Exeter squads. Dispite the weather conditions that made shots veer wildy at time, the Andover squad was still able to put up impressive numbers.

The match was significant on several different levels. First, the top five eighteen-hole scores for each team were added up and will be combined with scores from upcoming matches to determine who will take home the coveted Witherspoon Cup. In addition, Andover competed head-to-head against just Exeter in a matchplay format competition. By day's end, Andover had displayed that its is to be taken very seriously by putting up a score of 417 towards the Witherspoon cup. This easily beat Exeter's 431 and GDA's 440. In the matchplay against Exeter, Andover cleaned up the course, defeating the Exies 5 1/2 to 1 1/2. Convincing wins by Senior Brian Faulk, post-graduate Mark Drummond, lower Jeehae Lee, upper Jeremiah O'Neill, and Junior Anthony Pucillo showed their opponents the Andover team is strong at all grade levels. Highlights for the day included amazing eagles – truly outstanding considering the windy conditions – from both Azeem Ahamed '00 and Drummond. Also, O'Neill showed just how low he could go by shooting a four-over-par 76, the best score of the day.

Andover's match against Tabor at the Stowe Acres course last Saturday, although not as impressive as the Wednesday competition, still gave glimpses of the glory awaiting Andover in upcoming matches. The final score was 6-6, and the Andover twosomes showed considerable comradery in their outings. On a warm but very windy day, O'Neill and Lee stole the show, coming up with 2 1/2 out of 3 possible points.

Thanks to the expert analytical coaching approaches of mathematics teachers Nat Smith and Bill Scott, the Andover squad can feel victory within its grasp. After the eagerly awaited arrival of Mitch St. Peter '02, currently recovering from a collar bone fracture, the Andover golf team will look to nothing less than continuous triumph for the remainder of the season.

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Andover- Exeter- Governor Dummer

at Trull Brook Golf Course
on Wed., April 12, 2000

	PA	PEA	GDA
1 Brian Faulk Warren Moore - PEA Charles Taylor - GDA	84	86	79
2 Mark Drummond Peter Kyte - PEA Jim Clair - GDA	83	84	92
3 Jeremiah O'Neil Chris Norqual - PEA Tim Johnson - GDA	76	82	87
4 Jeehae Lee Noah Alireza - PEA Jeff Black - GDA	86	95	92
5 James Ford Ryan Wegler - PEA Scott Mayo - GDA	88	84	90
6 Azeem Ahame Larry Schooler - PEA JeffDesrarin - GDA	90	100	98
7 Anthony Pucillo Goose - PEA Phil McInnis - GDA	89	96	105
Totals	417	431	440

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Spring sports tee off once again as Brian Faulk '00 tries out his golf swing behind Bulfinch.

Golf Splits Week; Sunk by Belmont Hill, Rebounds Over Holderness

by Mitch St. Peter & Fred Martignetti
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITERS

Belmont Hill	7.5
Andover	4.5

Andover	8.5
Holderness	3.5

GOLF

After pulling out captivating victories against Exeter and GDA last week, the golf team lost the confidence it had gained with a 4.5-7.5 loss to Belmont Hill. Belmont Hill, the best team in the ISL, lost only one singles match en route to its easy victory.

Played at the Trull Brook Golf Club in Tewksbury, the match was contested using single player and team match play. The story of the contest was the demotion of Captain Brian Faulk '00 to the second spot, where he has not played since lower year. Faulk, the spiritual and motivational leader of the team, was unhappy with the demotion to say the least, yet was confident that Jeremiah O'Neil '01 could pull out a win at number-one. Unfortunately for O'Neil, he could not defeat his opponent. Faulk, who also struggled last Thursday, scored an eagle on hole 7, but his opponent also had a three and closed out the match.

Riding off his close win against Exeter and GDA, Mark Drummond '00 fell to his competitor as well. His partner, lower Jeehae Lee who has been one of the bright spots on the team thus far, managed to tie, despite collapsing on the finishing holes. Drummond and Lee also lost the team match, to make the score 5-1 in favor of Belmont.

Anthony Pucillo '03 and Vijay Singh look-alike Azheem Ahamed '02 both tied their matches yet lost the team match. Amazingly, fifth-seed Pucillo, who has handled the intense pressure well thus far, finished with a birdie on the last hole to come from behind and tie.

Two newcomers to the team rounded out the Andover lineup: James Ford '02 and Mike Tonelli '00. Ford lost his match, yet Tonelli shot the low Andover score of the day, a 39, and captured Andover's only singles win. Tonelli's score was especially impressive, considering he was playing in only his second match of the season.

On Wednesday, Andover competed against Holderness. Historically, the Holderness match is an easy win. This year was no different. Andover won with 8.5 points to Holderness' 3.5. Andover's depth was the key to the win with the fifth-eighth players all winning their respective singles and team matches.

Despite Andover's domination with the higher seeds, both number-one Faulk and number-two O'Neil lost, though they engineered a tie in their team match. Faulk, who came off playing in the second spot against Belmont Hill,

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Putting on the green at the number-one spot for the first time this year, Jeremiah O'Neil '01 prepares to sink a 20-foot put.

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James Ford '02 stroked a 6-Iron onto the green in Wednesday's victory over Holderness.

Golf Swings to an Easy Win Over Holderness

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couldn't gain any ground on his opponent, and lost a very tight match to start the day.

The third seed, Drummond, and his partner, Lee, lost and won their respective contests. Although "Berni" lost his match early, he rallied in the team match, and pocketed birdies on the last two holes to win the doubles match.

With the score at 3.5-2.5 in favor of Holderness, freshman phenom Pucillo shot the low score of the day, a one-over-par 37 on Trull Brook's front nine. Ahamed, who has struggled as of late, also conquered his Holderness opponent. After wins at number-five and number-six, Ford and Mike Rechnitz '00, who was playing in his first match due to the absence of Tonelli, crushed their opponents 4 & 3 and easily won the team match to close out the Andover win. Seventh-seed Ford shot the second best score of the afternoon with a 39.

The season has started off very well for the Big Blue, who hold a 3-1-1 record. Both Lee and Pucillo remain undefeated in the young season. The Blue's next match is against both Middlesex and BB&N at Presidents' Golf Glub, traditionally the easiest course on the ISL circuit. Hopefully Captain Faulk, O'Neil, and Drummond will find their games in the coming week to lead this stacked team closer and closer to the Witherspoon Cup.

Golf Upsets Power Tilton In 6-0 Sweep Led by Faulk

by Mitch St. Peter and Freddie Martignetti
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITERS

Andover	6
Tilton	0

Andover	6
St. Mark's	2

Last Friday, in one of the biggest blowouts in ISL history, the Andover Golf team swept Tilton. This win, coming off a week of two disappointing match cancellations due to the rare April snow, instilled great confidence in the "Ruff Ryders." The Andover squad got hyped up listening to music while traveling to Rowley Country Club, owned by golf team member, #2 Jeremiah O' Neil.

Despite only two of the Andover starters having played the course before and Mitch St. Peter '02 playing in his first match off the disabled list, everyone had complete control of their matches. Captain Brian Faulk '00 won his nine hole match, 3 & 2. O' Neil, playing in the only close match of the day, took his as well. Competing with one of the only decent Tilton players, O'Neil's superb course knowledge from those late afternoons practicing on Rowley, helped him tremendously as "The Kid" secured his match on the ninth hole. Mark Drummond '00 and Jeehae Lee '02 both easily outdid their opponents despite the gloomy New England Friday afternoon. Berni, #3, won his match 3 & 2, and All Star Lee shut her opponent out, 5 & 4.

To round out the top six, Bertha Bailey Resident Anthony Pucillo '03 played at #5 while Bertha Bailey alum St. Peter played at #6. Despite living in Canada, "Puch" has performed especially well all season and dumped his hockey player opponent 4 & 3. With the inspirational words of Captain Faulk in his head, St. Peter easily beat his Senior Tiltonian competitor 5 & 3 and finished off the 6-0 team whooping.

"This win was a great boost for us. We are well on our way in taking the Witherspoon Cup back from Exeter," said Faulk. After the match, the confidence was very high and the Blue hoped to capitalize on it for their next contest.

This past Wednesday, the Andover team faced off against a considerably weaker St. Mark's team. Thanks to some roster rearrangements, lowers David Breen and Dan C té made their first appearances in actual match play. The conditions on the St. Marks course were "sub-par", and consisted mostly of rock hard dirt. Yet as suspected, the "Ruff Ryders" were far from phased. Playing in the number one spot, Brian Faulk took his match to go 4-2 on the year. O'Neil, in a similar fashion, had no problem beating his opponent 3 & 2. In third spot, Lee came up with an unexpected half, slightly disappointing when considering her former record. In even more of a surprise, Drummond collapsed in his number four, falling to a far less qualified competitor. Freshman Tony Pucillo halved his match, remaining undefeated throughout all of his matches. Several more impressive wins included St. Peter, who secured his match on the final hole, as well as both David Breen and Dan C té. This came as quite a surprise, when considering the unorthodox swing and footwear of lower David Breen. The result of high quality Andover play resulted in yet another win, 6-2 over St. Marks.

The team now stands with a 5-1-1 record, one of the league leaders. Andover's next match is this coming Monday against Rivers, a match with which the team certainly expects to come away with a win.

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5/3/00

PA Golf Extends Its Lead in Witherspoon Cup Competition

By Freddie Martignetti and Mitch St. Peter
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITERS

Andover	**5.5**
Rivers	**1.5**

At Governor Dummer Academy on Saturday, despite cold weather and wind, the Golf team increased its lead over Exeter and GDA in the second leg of the annual Witherspoon Cup Matches. Andover's were very consistent, propelling Andover to a four shot advantage over second place Exeter.

Playing at #4, PG Mark Drummond '00 led the way for the "Ruff Ryders" with a three over par 39, compared to scores of 42 and 44 by his Exeter and GDA counterparts respectively. Putting up low numbers with scores of 41 were Captain Brian Faulk '00 and Jeehae Lee '02, who coming into the match was the third ranked girl in New England. Rounding out the order, #2 Jeremiah O' Neil, Anthony Pucillo '03 shot 42 and 44 respectively on the short, but demanding Ould Newbury layout.

Mitch St. Peter '02 and Michael Tonelli '00 both put up atrocious scores on Saturday. GDA's low score at their home course was a 41 by their #1 and Exeter's #2 played his way to a 39.

Andover has 624 shots, compared to Exeter's 642 and GDA's 656. Although there was no match on Saturday, there will be an 18-hole contest and stroke play event at Portsmouth, Exeter's home course. Andover is up 5.5 to 1.5 over Exeter in the match play version of the competition.

Andover will not need to play "light's out" golf to win on Saturday due to the 18 stroke cushion, but will have to be very consistent. On this course last year, Faulk shot a 73, the lowest score of last year. Hopefully for the Blue, Andover's charismatic leader will put up another remarkable score and help preserve the large advantage over Exeter.

On Wednesday, the Blue easily defeated Rivers, 5.5 to 1.5, in a match that served as prep for Saturday's festivities. Captain Faulk, although he handed over his #1 spot to O'Neil for the week, was a huge factor spiritually to the team. He motivational words helped Andover win all but two matches.

At #1, O'Neil had a disappointing afternoon, losing his match. Jeremiah was extremely upset following the match and Coach Nat Smith, Captain Faulk, and St. Peter had to calm his hostility. At #2, sweet swinging Lee won her contest, to make the score a 1-1 tie.

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At #3 and #4, Drummond and Pucillo both had hard-fought matches. On the Seventh hole, both matches were all square, yet only Pucillo was able to pull out the win, as Drummond settled for the tie. In his remarkable junior year, Tony stays undefeated with the win.

Azheem Ahamed '02, playing at #5, also had a tough match. Despite not playing to his full potential, he secured his 2 up win on the last hole. #6 St. Peter won his match as well, 3 & 2 to make the score 4.5-1.5 in favor the Big Blue.

To round out the top seven, Dan Coté '02 stayed undefeated in his short season with a 3 & 2 win.

With the wins, Andover Golf moved to an 8-1-1 record. Considering this team is relatively inexperienced, this record is outstanding. The focus is now on Saturday, as the team will look relatively similar. However, lower David Breen will play at #7 spot and team up with the other members to conquer Exeter and GDA.

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Golf

~~Girls Lacrosse~~

The Golf team built its lead in Witherspoon Cup competition to 18 strokes this week, and looks to defeat Exeter at Portsmouth, its home course, to claim the title.

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SPORT: LACROSSE - BOYS

YEAR: 1999-2000

CAPTAIN: Jonathan Sinex
HOME ADDRESS:

MANAGER: Natalie Ho, Katharine Planitzer
HOME ADDRESS:

COACH: Charles Richardson
ASSISTANT COACHES:

SEASON RECORD

WON 6b LOST 8 TIED 0

LETTER WINNERS

Aisenberg, Joshua
Arensberg, William
Babatunde, Oladapo
Buchanan, John
Butcher, Corbin
Carr, Nathaniel
Chase, Eric
Cropp, Ian
de Stefano, Stefano
Fraker, Christopher Porter
Fuller, Charles
Grace, Tyler
Ho, Natalie
Ikeda, Takashi
Kawakami, Mark
LeSaffre, Luke
Liebermann, Ethan
Rotondi, Eugene
Scriven, Matthew
Sinex, Jonathan
Taylor, Isaac
Ward, Scott
Winston, Braxton

BOYS' LACROSSE

			PA	OPP
SAt. Apr. 1, 2000	(A)	Charlestown Lacrosse	11	1
Sat. Apr. 8, 2000	(H)	No. Andover High	16	6
Wed. Apr. 12, 2000	(H)	N.M.H.	10	11 2OT
Sat. Apr. 15, 2000	(H)	Hyde School	10	5
Wed. Apr. 19, 2000	(H)	Bridgtoon Academy	6	18
Wed. Apr. 26, 2000	(A)	HOlderness	5	13
Sat. Apr. 29, 2000	(A)	Deerfield	7	15
Wed. May 3, 2000	(H)	Pinkerton Academy	11	18
Sat. May 6, 2000	(H)	Loomis-Chaffee	1	13
Wed. May 10, 2000	(A)	Milton	RAIN	
Mon. May 15, 2000	(A)	Governor Dummer (reschedualed)	7	11
Sat. May 13, 2000	(H)	Concord-Carlisle High	14	10
Wed. May 17, 2000	(H)	St. Paul's	13	12
Sat. May 20, 2000	(A)	Tabor	9	7
Sat. May 27, 2000	(H)	Exeter	8	16

SQUAD STATISTICS

NAME & HOME ADDRESS	HEIGHT	WEIGHT	CLASS	POSITION
Reston, VA Aisenberg, Josh				Defense
Louisville, KY Arensberg, Austin				middie
Peabody, MA Babatunde, Dapo				middie
S. Dennis, MA Boyle, Fletcher				middie
Newton Ctr, MA Brodie, Ethan				Attack
Washington DC Buchanan Grier				middie
Concord, MA Carr Nate				attack
Montclair, NJ Chase Eric				goalie
Summit, NJ Chisholm, JP				Defense
Warren, NJ Destefano, Stefano				goalie
Great Falls, VA Hilley Brendan				attack
Marblehead, MA Kane, Chris				middie
N. Andover MA La-Saffre, Luke				middie
Magnolia, MA Liebermann, Ethan				middie
Riverside, CT Moger, Daniel				attack

SQUAD STATISTICS

NAME & HOME ADDRESS	HEIGHT	WEIGHT	CLASS	POSITION
Riverside, CT noore Alexander				goalie
Wellesly, MA Salisbury, Peter				middie
Beverly, MA Scriven, Matt				Defense
Cotheville, MD Sinex, Jon				middie
Poughe, NY Smithwick, Jimmy				Defense
Woodstock, VT Taylor, Isaac				middie
Brooklyn NY Winston, Braxton				Defense

Boys Lacrosse Doubles Up Short-Handed North Andover

by Kevin Sinclair
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	**16**
North Andover	**8**

NMH	**11**
Andover	**10**

On Saturday afternoon, Phillips Academy faced North Andover High School and defeated them at Brothers Field, 16-8. Andover expected the win, since NAHS was missing five players on academic suspensions. They only had four substitutes, none at goal or defense. On top of that, PA was at peak form: Nat Carr '00 hit five out of five shots, Isaac Taylor '01 hit four out of four, and Gino Rotondi '01 hit three out of three. Spencer Bush-Brown '03 scored his first career goal in high school in the waning seconds of the game, but marred his performance with a rather excessive victory dance.

PA's defense was adaptive to any situation NAHS could throw at them, even a three man down situation (one of which was the goalie, Eric Chase '01). When Chase received a technical foul in the first half, Ian Cropp '01 went into goal, having never played the position before. Cropp filled in as a sub for veteran Stefano de Stefano '00 who was out sick. Eventually, with the help of three PA midfielders watching from the penalty box, the six midfielders and attack men from NAHS was able to score on PA's three defenders and rookie goalie. They needed all the help they could get. Head Coach Chuck Richardson said in regards to NAHS shortened line-up: "I don't think they would've beaten us, but it certainly would've been closer."

On Wednesday, Andover faced a much tougher opponent: Northfield Mount Herman. Despite leading for most of the game, Andover lost in double overtime, 11 - 10. PA took a 4 - 0 lead midway through the second quarter, with goals credited to Carr, Jonathan Sinex '00 (assist: Scott Ward '01), Luke LeSaffre '01, and Porter Fraker '00. Finally NMH scored at 2:50 into the second quarter. Carr scored again, and at the end of the half, Andover led 5 -1.

In the third quarter, NMH turned things around. They scored three unanswered goals to bring the score within one. Taylor, Carr and Sinex widened the gap by another three, but NMH responded quickly with another four. At the end of the third, the score was knotted at 8. NMH took a 9 -8 lead thirty seconds into the fourth but again, Carr responded. As the clock approached two minutes, NMH netted their tenth goal. A PA time-out stopped the clock at thriteen seconds and the

Hoggers celebrated its victory in the huddle. However, Taylor took charge and used his licensed face-dodges to scramble through the entire NMH defense before shooting the ball past the strong NMH goalie to score PA's tenth goal in with 0:04 on the clock.

In overtime, PA would not be as lucky. Despite being a man-up situation, Andover lost control of the ball and the game dragged out into a second overtime. Unfortunately, NMH was able to net a goal from pointblank range sixteen seconds after the sudden death second overtime began.

When asked to comment on the game, Coach Richardson stated: "We only played three quarters of lacrosse,we left the third quarter in the locker room."

The third quarter was the turning point in the game. NMH scored just as many points in that period as PA scored in the other three quarters of regulation time, combined. According to veteran defenseman Joshua Aisenberg '00, "[NMH] just came out more fired up [than us] for the second half." In Coach Richardson's eyes, this game just goes to show that "We're a team that is going to have to work for everything."

Next week, Andover will face Hyde on Saturday, a team defeated last year by a score of 11-2, and Bridgton Academy, an all-PG squad known to dominate its weaker foes. The early prognosis on the team is promising, and the boys in blue should win its fare share of contests.

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Goal by Taylor With Four Seconds Left Sends Boys Lacrosse Into Overtime Against N.M.H.

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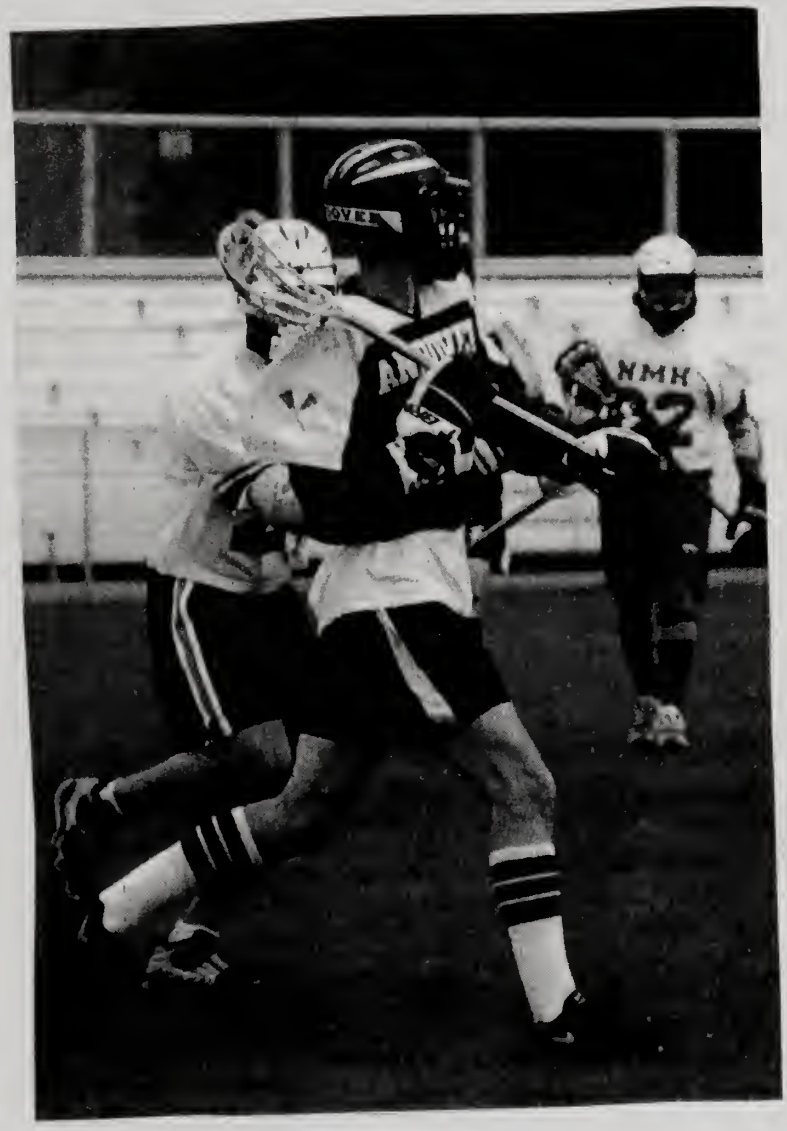
Boys lacrosse goes out in battle array last week against some of their season's first opponents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An Andover boys lacrosse player squares off with an opponent last week.

Boys Lacrosse Beats Hyde, But Humbled by Bridgeton

by Luke LeSaffre and Kevin Sinclair
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITERS

Andover	**10**
Hyde	**5**

Bridgton	**18**
Andover	**6**

With optimistic and high spirits, the Boys Lacrosse team headed into Wednesday's game strongly believing that an upset of prep powerhouse Bridgton lay within reach. Such a feat would not come easily, as the Wolverines boasted an all-post-graduate roster loaded with Division-I- and Division-III-bound college-level players. Prior to the game, Coach Chuck Richardson stressed to his players to have fun, and to try things they normally wouldn't attempt. Despite the wide margin of defeat and lesson in humility, the team accomplished those goals.

The light rain and wet field conditions proved to be Andover's advantage, as the slippery footing hindered Bridgton's "dodge-and-dump" offense, in which a player would isolate his defender and attempt to juke or run past him. Defensively, Bridgton would shut-off all players adjacent to the ball-carrier, impeding Andover's ball movement throughout the contest.

With sticks on their hands and aggressive slides, the attack and midfield had difficulty moving the ball around the opponent's defense, and sloppy play developed. Scoring opportunities were squandered as passes failed to reach cutters and shots were deflected in front of the cage. "Against a team like Bridgton, you really can't afford to fail to convert on offense, or else you find yourself in hole," said Richardson. And a hole they did find themselves in early on.

As Andover's offense was virtually nullified in the first quarter, Bridgton scored five quick goals, most of which occurred in transition with the attacker left alone one-on-one with goalie Eric Chase '01.

Two minutes into the second quarter, Andover finally found the back of the net, but only when they had an extra-man advantage. In a span of five minutes, Luke LeSaffre '01, Isaac Taylor '01, and Nat Carr '00, twice, all scored goals in the man-up offense, cutting the score to 8-4. For a brief instant, the game looked winnable.

The third and fourth quarters proved disastrous for Andover, as mistake upon mistake turned into Bridgton goals. Bad-passes, poor-decision making and loose-defense all contributed to the team's pitfall in the second half. Stefano de Stefano '00, taking advantage of his chance to play, performed well in net, saving ten shots while allowing seven.

At the sound of the final buzzer, the score stood at 18-6 in favor of the over-20-year-old college-freshmen team from Bridgton. The score, however, is a poor indication of what Andover came out of this game with. "In this game, we did a lot of what we wanted to as far as trying out new offensive sets, and moving the ball around. Our defense looked fine, and save a few mistakes early on, we were right in that one," said Coach Richardson after the game. "We had some fun, we left everything we had on the fields and played the way we wanted to. I'm pleased with the performance the guys put out."

Next Wednesday, Andover will square off against Holderness, a beatable team, in a must-win situation. The Bridgton game prepared the boys well for this important match-up, as they look to next week to rebound and improve.

"This team can win any game it wants to. This is the best squad we've fielded in a number of years in nearly all respects, and surely we'll win our share of games," commented Coach Richardson afterwards. Following Holderness, Andover faces off against Deerfield in another game the team can certainly win.

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A. Bowen/ *The Phillipian*

Attacker Nat Carr '00 rifles a shot on goal in Saturday's 10-5 victory over Hyde.

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Boys Lacrosse

Boys Lacrosse, recovering from last week's one-goal loss, soundly defeated Hyde on Saturday. The post-graduates of Bridgton were too much to handle, however, as the boys lost 18-6. *-pg. 11*

Unfocused Boys Lacrosse Beaten by Holderness, Commits 15 Penalties

by Kevin Sinclair
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

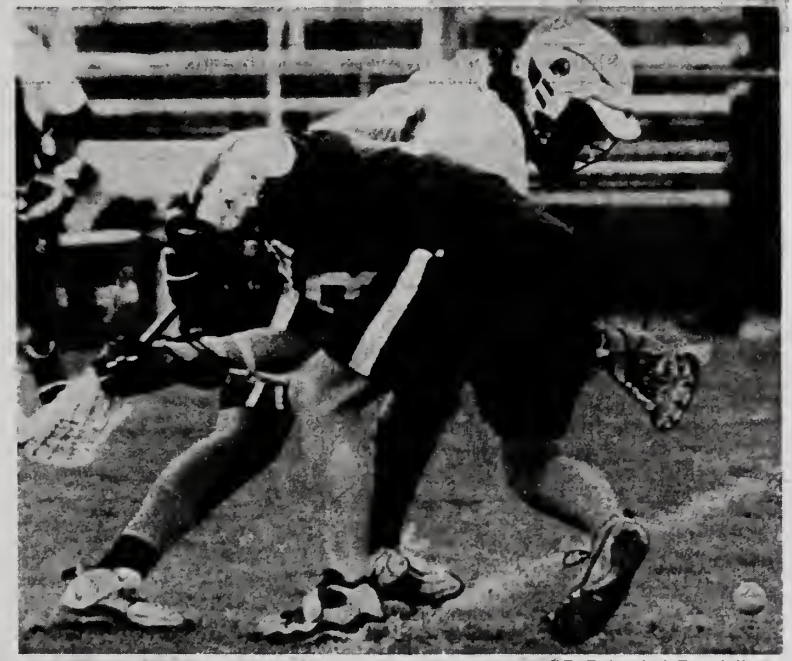
Holderness	**14**
Andover	**6**

BOYS LACROSSE

Some games you just want to forget. On Wednesday, Phillips Academy lost to Holderness, 14-6. Originally scheduled as a home game, the Athletic Department moved the game site from Andover to Holderness due to a freak snow storm. According to veteran goalie Stefano de Stefano '01, "We did not go to Holderness prepared to play." The team did not have the chance to mentally prepare for a road game. Instead, they expected to play in front of a home crowd at Brothers Field. When the game site moved, the team lost their focus. To use a sports cliché, "they never got off the bus."

What began as a decent game in the first quarter transformed into a massacre by the third. The Big Blue started off the game with a quick score by Luke LeSaffre '01. Holderness met LeSaffre's goal with three quick goals against Andover. Then, Porter Fraker '00 scored, making it 2-3. But, in the second quarter, everything began to fall apart. Holderness scored six goals to PA's one, put in by Captain Jonathan Sinex '00. Head Coach Chuck Richardson said "We didn't get the ball once in the third quarter, their face off guy was huge and he beat everybody. Isaac, Luke, Ty? We didn't win a single face off [that quarter]." In the end, Gino Rotondi '01 and Isaac Taylor '01 each scored one and LeSaffre knotted his second. Taylor and Fraker each had one assist. Holderness finished the game adding with another five goals.

On the other side of the field, de Stefano started in the first half while Eric Chase '01 played the entirety of the second. Josh Aisenberg '00, Ethan Lieberman '00, and Matt Scriven '00 started on defense, with Braxton Winston '01 rotating into the game for man-down situations. Starting midfielder LeSaffre commented that despite the defense's effort, "Fatigue set in on the defense allowing the other team to pass the ball, and the offense never got into a rhythm."



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Against Holderness, boys' lacrosse had difficulty winning face-offs all day long. Here, Tyler Grace '00, is beaten on a face.

In the coaching staff's opinion, Andover spent too much time in the penalty box. The team received 15 penalties and served 11 minutes in the box. Almost one out of every four minutes of the game, Andover was a man down. Penalties ranged from unnecessary roughness to a technical foul for a player not wearing his mouth guard. By the end of the game, the coaching staff began throwing new line-ups in as a last ditch effort to stop the inevitable. First through third midfield groups blended into one unit and Coach Richardson rotated guys in and out of the game, desperately seeking a successful line-up that could shut down a strong Holderness team. Of those, Ian Cropp '01 and Scott Ward '01 both played well together at midfield and never gave up, even as the final ticks of the game came to a conclusion. Takashi Ikeda '00 and Charlie Fuller '00 both played well off the bench. The bottom line was, according to Coach Richardson, "It was an embarrassing loss. We acted like we did not want to be there and it showed on the Field." This type of game is truly a learning experience. If Andover figures out what went wrong, then the season can be saved despite back-to-back losses. If, on the other hand, they lose their confidence, then this team can easily lose its competitive edge permanently. Despite the incredible skill on this PA team, it is of little worth unless the players can regain the mental toughness that it takes to win.

After the past two games, confidence will be as much of a hurdle to overcome as the other team. An athlete can never question his or her ability to win and then go on to victory. This weekend, against Deerfield, Andover will have a true c confidence-check moment: they will see whether they have the tenacity to dare to win again.

4/26/00

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Middie Luke LeSaffre '00 makes a break by his defender towards goal but was unable to convert. The boys could not take advantage of numerous Pinkerton penalties, losing 18-10 on Wednesday.

Boys Lacrosse Suffers Two Big Defeats at Hands Of Deerfield & Pinkerton; Can't Convert Penalties

by Kevin Sinclair
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Deerfield	15
Andover	7
Pinkerton	18
Andover	10

On Saturday, Phillips Academy trekked to Deerfield and suffered a tough 15-7 loss. Captain Jonathan Sinex '00 scored the opening goal for Andover four minutes into the first quarter, which was answered by Deerfield with two goals. Luke LeSaffre '01 tied the game with 2:19 left in the quarter. Entering the second quarter, Deerfield scored two quick goals. Isaac Taylor '01 closed the gap back to one, but Deerfield scored thirty seconds later. LeSaffre scored his second goal, and Deerfield responded with a goal in the closing seconds of the half.

After the first twenty-four minutes of play, Andover trailed 6 - 4. Unfortunately, that gap would never narrow. Deerfield dominated the second half, scoring five unanswered goals. Sinex scored his second at the end of the third period, and Nat Carr '00 netted his first at the beginning of the fourth quarter, which were followed by three Deerfield goals. Taylor scored the last PA goal with 3:14 left in the game. Deerfield scored one more to close the game, 15 - 7. In goal, Stefano de Stefano '00 and Eric Chase '01 rotated in during both halves of play. Chase takes credit for twelve saves, de Stefano for three.

Despite playing with an extra man for thirteen and a half minutes, Andover was unable to convert the advantage into goals, especially in the second half. Deerfield had one or more players in the penalty box eight times in the second half (twelve overall). Nonetheless Andover scored only twice in that period of time with the extra man advantage. Even though Deerfield only held the advantage for six and a half minutes, they scored on four out of seven advantage situations, compared to PA's three out of twelve. PA, mentally and emotionally strained after three consecutive losses, played Pinkerton Academy, at home, on Wednesday.

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Andover lost another tough game, 18 - 10. PA started off well, with three consecutive goals to open the first period, from Carr, Taylor, then Sinex. Pinkerton netted their first, followed by another two PA goals, from Porter Fraker '00 and Taylor. Pinkerton scored two more to end the quarter, 5 - 3. In the second quarter, Pinkerton scored five unanswered goals. Taylor scored his third for the game to end the half, PA losing, 8 - 6. The third quarter was close; Pinkerton and Andover each scored three (Taylor, Fraker, and Sinex). But, in the end, Pinkerton put Andover away in the fourth. Pinkerton scored four to increase their lead to six points. Taylor tried to narrow the gap as he scored PA's only goal for the quarter. Pinkerton answered with another three for the win over PA, 18 -10.

Chase played the whole game in goal and had thirteen saves. Defenseman Ethan Lieberman '00 traded in his long stick to play midfield for parts of the game, and had the assist to Fraker on his first goal in

the second quarter. Due to this, Braxton Winston '01, who normally plays long-stick midfielder, moved to defense. Charlie Fuller '00 took Winston's spot as a long stick midfielder while Winston played defense. Again, PA had far less time in the penalty box, receiving only four minutes for four penalties, three out of four in the last sixty seconds of the fourth quarter. Pinkerton, on the other hand, had six penalties.

The past few games are a testament to Andover's key weakness; an inability to consistently play well. More specifically, the inability to play well in the second half. Andover trailed by two at the half for both games this week. Coming out of the locker room, PA then proceeded to give up five unanswered goals against Deerfield. Against Pinkerton, Andover held on for another quarter, until they were put away, seven goals to one, in the fourth quarter. All of the recent games have been close going into the half. Earlier this season, Northfield Mount Herman pulled away with an 11 - 10 double overtime victory by scoring seven out of eleven goals in the third quarter. In that one quarter, they scored just as many points as PA in the first, second, and fourth combined. If PA came out of the locker room with more intensity, then that game would have been a win. Deerfield would not have blown open the point gap by so many points, and maybe PA could have won. Games against comparable teams would be wins, instead of losses.

With more than half the season behind them, PA needs to focus on consistency in order to salvage the season. This coming Saturday, PA will face Loomis-Chaffee at Loomis. Perennially a strong team, a win against Loomis could be the turning point of the year for the lacrosse team.

Loomis Ousts Boys Lacrosse Despite Valiant Defensive Effort

by Kevin Sinclair
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Loomis	**14**
Andover	**1**

Despite a 13-1 loss against Loomis-Chaffee last Saturday, Phillips Academy played a good, solid game. Andover held Loomis, the best team in New England, to thirteen goals, a defensive stand that PA has not made since its last win, against the Hyde School, on April 15. Last week against Pinkerton, Matthew Scriven '00 earned three consecutive penalties for assaulting his opponent in the closing minutes of the loss. Against Loomis, Scriven played with more control, while still maintaining his ruthless aggressiveness, earning only two one-minute trips to the penalty box. Ethan Lieberman '00 continued to see playing time at midfield, as well as his starting spot on defense. Goalie Stefano de Stefano '00 played the best game of his career against one of the most punishing prep school attack squads in the nation. Overall, the defensemen covered Loomis well. However, when Loomis saw a shooting opportunity, most of the time de Stefano stopped the play. Despite losing, the defense as a whole can be proud of keeping Loomis under control.

Unfortunately, the offensive side of the field did not have quite as good a game as the defense. Andover simply could not put the ball into the goal for most of the game. The single goal scored against Loomis was made by Isaac Taylor '01, in the fourth quarter. Call it dumb luck that an open shot bounces off the goalie's head or the ball bounces off the side of the goal.

The attack line suffered the losses of key players to injuries. Captain Jonathan Sinex '00 played just a few minutes because of an injury and Gino Rotondi '01 could not play at all. Nat Carr '00 played despite not being at full health. To cope with the injury situation, Taylor moved from first midfield to play attack. His spot in the midfield was filled by Corbin Butcher '01, coming off the bench. As if injuries were not enough of an offensive handicap, Loomis' top defenseman is one of the best in the country and will be attending the University of Virginia, the defending NCAA Division I champion, next year on a full lacrosse scholarship. In addition to his defensive prowess, he also managed to score the first and last goals of the game.

Despite how well the defense played, head coach Chuck Richardson was convinced that "[Loomis] did not show [Andover] their 'A' game." He continued, "[Loomis] knew that they were in control [of the game] from the moment it started." The only complaint of the coaching staff, however, was the level of ball handling and the number of turnovers in transition from offense to defense. Despite desperately trying to move the ball out of their zone, as soon as the defense cleared the ball it soon would end up back in a Loomis stick. This forced the defense to play for most of the game, as opposed to the usual rests that it gets when the attack has the ball.

Even though they lost, this is the first time in a long while that the boys played well. Now, the only thing left to do is the obvious: win. Andover has shown that they are capable of winning and playing well, but potential only goes so far. With the end of the season marching closer, now is the time to start winning. This coming week, Andover has three games. The first is on Saturday against Concord-Carlisle Academy at Brothers Field, followed by Governor Dummer Academy (away) on Monday, and finally St. Paul's School (home) on Wednesday. After that, only a game against Tabor (away) on May 20 remains before the season ends at home with Exeter on May 27.

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14-1 Final Hides Strong Defensive Effort of Boys Lacrosse vs. Loomis

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Gino Rotondi '01 slips before his defender, losing possession and an offensive opportunity. The boys stumbled all game long under tight defensive pressure from Loomis.

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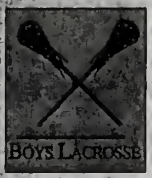
Luke LeSaffre '01 breaks upfield on a fastbreak during Saturday's boys lacrosse game.

Bowing to GDA, Boys Lacrosse Triumphs Over Concord and St. Paul's, Led by 9 Sinex Goals

By Kevin Sinclair
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Governor Dummer	11
Andover	7



PA played three games in five days, losing the first against Governor Dummer Academy and winning the second two against Concord-Carlisle High School and Saint Paul's School. Last Friday, GDA defeated Andover on the road. Captain Jonathan Sinex '00 scored the first goal of the game forty eight seconds into the first quarter. Then, GDA took control of the quarter and the rest of the game by scoring four more.

Shocked, Andover started off the second quarter with another goal from Sinex. GDA scored another two, followed by Sinex's third. Ian Cropp '01 closed the half with his first goal this season, 7 – 4. GDA came out of the locker room and scored one, followed by a goal from Nat Carr '00, assisted by Sinex. Tyler Grace '00 scored unassisted, followed by two GDA goals. Sinex scored his fourth a minute into the fourth quarter. GDA scored one last goal, final score 11 – 7. Eric Chase '01 was in goal.

The next day, Andover beat up on CCHS. To start the game, Sinex scored, assisted by Austin Arensberg '01. Luke LeSaffre '01 scored midway through the quarter, followed by two more Sinex goals. CCHS scored two to end the period. Porter Fraker '00 opened the second quarter with a goal, followed by a CCHS goal. Carr scored his first but CCHS would answer with two more. Gino Rotondi '01 scored his first, but CCHS would score another, Andover leading 7-6 at half time. Isaac Taylor '01 scored his first two goals two minutes into the second half, followed by a CCHS goal. Sinex scored his fourth with 5:34 on the clock in the third. Andover secured the win in the fourth quarter, with four goals, two from Sinex, and one each from Rotondi and Taylor, in contrast to three CCHS goals. Andover won the game, 14 –10.

On the defensive side of the field, Stefano de Stefano '00 had twelve saves in goal. Ethan Lieberman '00, Josh Aisenberg '00, and Matt Scriven '00, the three starting defensemen, did not receive a single penalty. Nonetheless the three ferociously protected de Stefano. The third quarter highlighted the defense's strength: only one out of four shots went scored against PA, while three out of six scored against CCHS.

5/15/00

On Wednesday, Phillips Academy narrowly defeated Saint Paul's. The game started off close; the two teams traded off goals for the entire quarter. Carr scored two while Sinex and Taylor had one a piece. SPS ended up leading 5 – 4. In the second quarter Carr and Taylor each scored one goal to match two goals from SPS. 7 – 6, Saint Paul's. Andover made its move for the lead in the third quarter. Coming out after halftime, LeSaffre scored his first followed by a Saint Paul's goal. So, LeSaffre scored again, this time assisted by Cropp, to tie the game. Fraker and Sinex proceeded to score with assists from Rotondi and LeSaffre, who had five on the day,

Andover	14
Concord-Carlisle	10

Andover	13
St. Paul's	12

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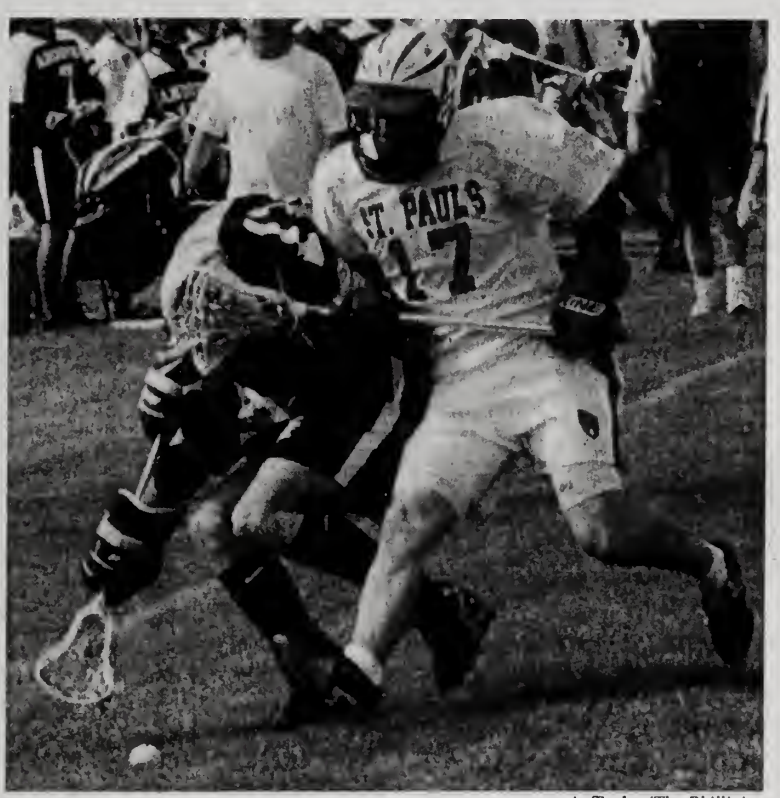
ending the period with Andover ahead, 10 – 8 During the quarter, Corbin Butcher '01 provided a well needed rest for Sinex, allowing the Captain time to prepare for a pivotal fourth quarter. However, Saint Paul's did not fold. They scored two to start the fourth quarter, tying the game again. Carr scored at 7:20 into the period, but SPS scored twenty seven seconds later. Andover truly put SPS away with its final two goals. Sinex scored the first, catching Rotondi's assist midway through his shot. The ball never even came to rest in his stick. As soon as he caught it, it was already bouncing out and into the goal. Rotondi scored the second by whipping the ball into the net, despite triple coverage. Saint Paul's would score one more, but it would not be enough. In the end Andover led, 13 –12.

The defense played with their usual violence: Aisenberg was credited with a push and a trip; Scriven was credited with a slash (which was in response to a cheap shot taken against him by the SPS player he slashed). After seeing such fierce protection of the goal, no one felt prouder than the goalie, de Stefano, who said, "the defense was outstanding." The defense did cause a brief scare, however, when Charlie Fuller '00 inadvertently stepped offside while chasing down an SPS midfielder. Fuller earned a thirty second penalty with 1:25 left in the game, allowing Saint Paul's to score their last goal. De Stefano had seventeen saves out of twenty-nine shots.

Throughout the week, however, the defense has been well complimented by the defensive midfielders. Andover rotates middies on and off the field throughout the game as possession changes. On offense, LeSaffre, Taylor, Fraker, and Grace are usually put in. On Defense, Cropp, Scott Ward '01, and Braxton Winston '01 see time. The defensive middie's sole responsibility is to move the ball out of the defensive zone, and then get off the field for the better stick handlers. Over the course of the year, these three have improved dramatically, and now are an important part of Andover's defensive strategy.

After Saint Paul's, PA advanced to 5 wins, 7 losses. The team hopes to salvage the season by winning the next two games against Tabor and Exeter. Regarding the year, Coach Chuck Richardson made the following statement: "These guys deserve tremendous amounts of credit for working as hard as they have without much success in the win column: We play the toughest schedule around and we take a beating a lot of the time...At this point, to win some games...is good for the guys and a good way to finish things off. We ought to be feeling good, but the season is not over...I feel good about the next couple of games. The guys are getting confident and we should be able to win."

With Wins This Week, Boys Lacrosse Improves Season and Has Chance to Reach .500 To 5-7 on



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Porter Fraker '00 fights for the ball in Wednesday's 13-12 victory over St. Paul's. The win was the boys' second in a row.

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Isaac Taylor '01 rips a shot at net in Saturday's boys lacrosse game.

Jon Sinex '00

"As of late, Jon has really taken over and dominated on the attack. He scores at will." —Isaac Taylor '01

By Diana Dosik
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS ASSOCIATE

Jonathan Sinex '00 is a four-year Varsity lacrosse player. Despite the disheartening loss against GDA last Friday, Sinex managed to put in four goals for the Big Blue, and scored another six on Saturday for a big 14-10 win against Concord-Carlisle. In his Upper season, Jon was the second leading goal scorer, despite his position in the defensive midfield. Playing attack for the first time this season, Sinex leads the team in both goals and assists. In addition to being Captain of the lacrosse team, Jon is a star hockey player, skating on the Varsity team since freshman year. An athletic standout and team leader, Sinex is this week's Athlete of the Week.

Jon grew up in New Canaan, Connecticut. When he was nine-years-old, he and his sister Lucky, now 17, moved with his mother to Baltimore. However, he spent "a considerable amount of time" living with his father in Philadelphia in his early teen years, "mostly for hockey." Four nights a week, he would make the trip from Baltimore to Philadelphia, while still attending school in Baltimore. "The traveling was crazy," admits Jon, "but there was no good competition in Baltimore."

Although Sinex's childhood spring sport was baseball, he decided to end his baseball career in seventh grade and pick up lacrosse. "Everyone in Baltimore plays lacrosse, therefore, I had to switch sports," Sinex recalls. The change was not easy, as many of Jon's schoolmates had been playing for years and were "a step above...a few are now going to schools like Princeton, UNC, Maryland, and UVA to play lacrosse," Sinex explains. Because of his unstoppable speed, however, he managed to make his middle school's "A" team. The direction provided by Coach Brook Matthews, along with the talent of his middle-school teammates, brought Jon's skills up to par. "[Matthews] taught me more than any other coach I have ever had," asserts Sinex. Under his aegis, Sinex played for two years, remembering his undefeated eighth grade season as "one of his best lacrosse memories before PA." Nominating Mr. Matthews as the most influential person in his lacrosse career, Jon attributes his initial success at Phillips Academy to him: "He developed my skills so fast, in two years, that I made the Varsity at Andover my freshman year."

A strong student in his Baltimore middle school, Jon decided to apply to PA in 1995 for better ice hockey competition. "There is no good competition for hockey in Baltimore," Sinex comments, "and I knew that I had to go away if I wanted to play hockey in college." Seeking the prep school arena as a chance to improve, Sinex looked at Deerfield, Lawrenceville, Choate, and Andover. Impressed with the Big Blue's 2nd place finish in the 1996 New England Championship, as well as his revisit night in Stearns, Jon decided to attend PA.

A midfielder for his first three years at Andover, and an attack player in the 2000 season, Sinex's role on the team is clear: "I am a goal scorer and a playmaker." Despite a disappointing start to the season, Sinex hopes to lead the team to victory in its final three games in order to pull the team's record over .500. Even though the Big Blue Lacrosse Boys did not lead the league this year, Sinex's stellar performance in last Saturday's game was his "greatest experience" in lacrosse: "It was awesome." He enjoys the company of his teammates, and characterizes coach Chuck Richardson as "the greatest guy...everyone loves him and respects him."

In addition to furthering his lacrosse career, Sinex's years at Andover exposed him to a variety of opened doors. "Before PA," Jon admits, "all I ever did was play hockey, except for the two months of April and May when I played lacrosse." Taking advantage of the many facets of Andover life, Sinex participated in ARC community service his lower and upper years, and played cluster soccer this fall. Accepted early at Middlebury College, where he hopes to continue his time on the ice, Sinex is unsure if he will also be able to hit the lacrosse field. "Hockey goes until late March, early April, so I don't know if they want me to play both," he laments. Fortunately, Jon Sinex still has two PA games left, in which he will lead the Big Blue head to head against Tabor, and Exeter. His presence on the field will be sorely missed next year.

SPORT: LACROSSE - GIRLS

YEAR: 1999-2000

CAPTAIN: Ashley Harmeling
HOME ADDRESS:

MANAGER:
HOME ADDRESS:

COACH: Kate Dolan
ASSISTANT COACHES:

SEASON RECORD

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Anneberg, Christine	Lewis, Anna
Anneberg, Lauren	Locks, Vanessa
Barensfeld, Anna	Macmillan, Katharine
Bernard, Anne	Mattison, Alice
Butler, Louisa	O'Brien, Mariel
Davies, Katharine	Richardson, Susannah
Doykos, Bernadette	Sanders, Laura
Fitzpatrick, Hillary	Valeo, Anna
Harmeling, Ashley	Wadsworth, Natalie
Hudson, Meredith	Woodin, Heather

GIRLS' LACROSSE

			PA	OPP
Wed. Apr. 5, 2000	(H)	Harvard (scrimmage)	11	10
Sat. Apr. 8, 2000	(A)	Middlesex (scrimmage)	not recorde	
Wed. Apr. 12, 2000	(H)	St. Mark's (scrimmage)	13	11
Sat. Apr. 15, 2000	(A)	K.U.A.	17	5
Wed. Apr. 19, 2000	(H)	N.M.H.	20	6
Sat. Apr. 22, 2000	(A)	Thayer	Rained Out	
Wed. Apr. 26, 2000	(A)	Holderness	!7	6
Sat. Apr. 29, 2000	(H)	Taft	18	4
Wed. May 3, 2000	(A)	B.B.&N.	15	12
Sat. May 6, 2000	(H)	Tabor	12	15
Wed. May 12, 2000	(A)	Governor Dummer	Rained Out	
Sat. May 13, 2000	(A)	Loomis-Chaffee	17	11
Wed. May 17, 2000	(H)	Winsor	17	7
Sat. May 20, 2000	(A)	Tournament (EIL@NCD)	PA 14	LCA 4
		Second Place	PA 15	BBN 10
			PA 10	Tabor 12
Wed. May 24, 2000	(A)	Groton	16	4
Fri. May 26, 2000	(H)	Exeter	14	2

Girls Lacrosse Splits Scrimmages; Captain Harmeling Sparks Offense

by Diana Dosik and Dan Shvartsman
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITERS

Middlesex	10
Andover	6

Andover	14
St. Mark's	12

Handicapped by the temporary loss of high-scoring Captain Ashley Harmeling '00, the girls' varsity lacrosse team suffered a disheartening loss against Middlesex in a scrimmage last Saturday, 6-10.

Andover girls' lacrosse has had a tense history with Middlesex, losing in a scrimmage early in the 1999 season as well, but continuing on that year to defeat the squad in the AISGA/EIL tournament. As soon as Saturday's game began, however, the Blue team ran into trouble. Compounding the lack of its leading goal scorer, it also seemed that Andover could not make its normally smooth transitions. Middlesex was outrunning PA, and being more aggressive to ground balls. Its set plays around the crease were baffling Andover defense, and its strategic use of the newly-implemented restraining line often gave it a player-up situation. Upset at first, Coach Kate Dolan retained her sense of humor and remarked that the best thing about the first half was that it was over. Andover was down 3-5, and the team's play was not up to its usual excellence. Preparing her players for the second half, Coach Dolan advised the girls to "work on passes...don't worry about the other team, worry about [themselves]...communicate, [and] use positive reinforcement," according to midfielder Mariel O'Brien '01.

Though the Blue returned to the field ready to turn the tide, it simply couldn't gain any ground. Andover pulled within three goals late in the game, on runs by Louisa Butler '02 and Christine Anneberg '00, but the high-scoring Middlesex squad quickly answered them. "We had lots of opportunities, but we just didn't take advantage of them," explained Coach Dolan. "They didn't do anything great to beat us...we just didn't play well," she continued. Fortunately, pre-season scrimmages are used for teaching and practicing purposes only, and do not affect season standings. The Middlesex game revealed a lot of things the team needed to work on, such as turnovers, offensive plays, and aggressive defense. "We were really uncharacteristically timid," commented Dolan. In addition, the girls realized that they must approach the season with determination, regardless of the promise of this year's team. "It was a good humbling experience, for a team that won the AISGA/EIL last season," admitted O'Brien. Anneberg was the high scorer with three goals, as Anna Barensfeld '02 and Lauren Anneberg '01 rounded out the rest of Andover's goals. Despite the loss, the Big Blue is confident that with the return of its captain and some more time on the field together, it will definitely be able to triumph over Middlesex when they meet again in the AISGA/EIL Tournament held at Newton Country Day School later in the spring.

The girls' lacrosse team faced a tough St. Mark's team Wednesday on the frigid fields of Siberia in its final scrimmage of the regular season. The defending New England Prep champs relied on aggressive play by the midfielders, solid defense late in the game, and 6 goals by Captain Ashley Harmeling '00 to win an up-and-down game, 14-12.

The game was low-scoring early on, as Andover benefited from sound goaltending by Ali Mattison '02 and a few lucky breaks as St. Mark's shots hit the posts. Bernadette Doykos '00 picked up a goal early to give the Blue a 2-1 lead. St. Mark's bounced back with two of their own, and then Harmeling made her presence known. She quickly answered with a goal to tie it up at 3, and then within a minute snagged another one.

St. Mark's bounced back with a run of tough ball fakes and good passing as they scored the next 4 goals. Harmeling again found the back of the net, and after the teams exchanged goals, she put one more in before the half, bringing Andover to within one, 7-8.

In the second half the Blue jumped out quickly on a great play. Mattison took her time finding someone open to clear the ball out, and then hit Heather Woodin '01 at midfield, and Woodin did the rest, racing down the field and finding the back of the net to tie it up at 8. Lou Butler's '02 forceful play finally paid off as she picked up a loose ball and fired it past the goaltender, giving Andover its first lead since early in the first half.

Harmeling made one more push late in the game for insurance, scoring two more goals against St. Mark's to bring the score to 11-9. Anna Barensfield '02 then played the role of sniper perfectly, sitting around the net until she received a pass and converted it for another goal. Kate Macmillan '00 made a nice move to the net to make it 13-10, and Christine Anneberg '00 kept the lead at three by following a St. Mark's goal with one of her own. St. Mark's picked up one more, but good defense from Anna Valeo '00 and Anna Lewis '00 helped the team hold on to the win.

Throughout the game, both teams relentlessly attacked one another, with the lead changing hands five times. Good play in the midfield by Butler, Harmeling, Vanessa Locks '01, and Lauren Annenberg '01 kept the team in it the whole game. Merri Hudson '01 and Sarah Cote '00 helped out in the defensive end. The Blue now has two days to prepare for their season opener on the road against Kimball Union Academy.

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A. Tucker/ *The Phillipian*

Girls Lacrosse

The Girls Lacrosse team went 1-1 for the week, falling to Middlesex but triumphing later in the week against St. Mark's. The performance was impressive given the absence of Captain Ashley Harmeling '00. *-pg. B3*

Girls Lacrosse Blows Away KUA, NMH by Huge Margins

by Dan Shvartsman
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	17
K.U.A.	5

Andover	21
NMH	6

Coming off a strong 17-5 victory at K.U.A. Saturday, the girls' varsity lacrosse team went out on to the cold and wet playing field on Wednesday to play its first home game of the season against the NMH Lady Hoggers. The squad extinguished all questions of its readiness for the season as it put on a near-perfect show.

Starting in net for Andover was goalie Kate Davies '00, as starter Ali Mattison '02 took a day off. Not much was lost in the transition, as Davies put on an amazing show. She consistently made tough saves during the first half, snuffing first shots and rebounds alike.

Andover scored early when Kate Macmillan '00 was fouled in the NMH zone. She fed her free pass to Vanessa Locks '01, who immediately gave it to Captain Ashley Harmeling '00. Harmeling finished the play with a goal to make it 1-0. Macmillan got one of her own a little bit later to make it 2-0. on a perfect pass from Lauren Anneberg '01.

NMH finally found its way onto the scoreboard, capitalizing on a penalty shot. The opponent used this surge of momentum to pick up two more quick goals. Andover stayed calm, however, and eventually regained the momentum. Harmeling took a pass behind the net from Anna Barensfeld '02 and scored a wrap around goal, increasing Andover's lead to 5-3.

Macmillan scored again as the result of skilled passing between Harmeling, Louisa Butler '02, and L. Anneberg. Harmeling then netted another off yet another pass from L. Anneberg. A few minutes later, Davies added to her team's momentum as she stepped up and stopped an NMH penalty shot. Locks joined in on the scoring, getting her first off a nice pass from Christine Anneberg '00. C. Anneberg then notched another assist as Macmillan corralled her pass and fired it passed the NMH goalie. NMH, however, showed signs of a comeback as one of its players weaved through Andover's defenders and beat Davies for a goal, making the score 8-5.

The Big Blue made a strong push right before the half. Bernadette Doykos '00 made a nice quick pass to C. Anneberg, who one-timed it by the befuddled NMH goalie. Harmeling had a chance at a goal, but hit the post with a few seconds left in the half. When the half-time whistle blew, Andover was up 9-5.

The Blue lost no intensity in the second half. Susannah Richardson '00 scored a goal almost right off the whistle, thanks to a pass from Macmillan. Then, on the very next possession, Richardson converted another scoring chance off a defensive lapse. Macmillan later scored two of her own, nearly putting the game out of reach only five minutes into he second half.

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A. Bowen/ *The Phillipian*

Louisa Butler '02 burns her defender and drives towards the net enroute to a 21-6 schallacking of NMH.

Girls Lacrosse Thrashes Competition

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Throughout the remainder of the game, Andover continued to strengthen its lead. Richardson added one more, Macmillan again getting credit for the assist. Locks made the most of an NMH penalty, as she carried the ball in and snapped it past the keeper. Her goal caused NMH to resort to its second goalie, who hardly fared better. Another penalty gave Macmillan a long penalty shot, but instead of taking it, she passed to Harmeling who found the back of the net. The Anneberg sisters then teamed up for a goal, as Lauren capitalized off a pass from Christine.

At that point Andover emptied its bench, allowing everyone a chance at any position. Davies left the net, only to later make an appearance at center. Mariel O'Brien '01 scored to make it 19-5 immediately before NMH slipped a shot past Mattison, ending Andover's 11-0 scoring run. Even defender Anna Valeo '00 got a goal, scoring on a penalty shot.

The impressive win proved tha Andover really doesn't need to rely o one person, either for goals or goalten ing. The team had multiple scorers Harmeling(5), MacMillan(5), Locks(and Richardson(3), and had 10 differe goal scorers in total. Davies' solid pl shows the squad has two reliab goalies. The Blue hopes to build on strong win over NMH on Saturday a faces Thayer on the road.

A. Bowen/ *The Phillipian*

Natalie Wadsworth '01 blazes up the sideline past the flailing arms of her defender.

Kate MacMillan '00

"Kate's enthusiasm and energy and commitment carry the entire team."
—Merri Hudson '01

by Diana Dosik
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS ASSOCIATE

Kate MacMillan '00 has been a Varsity lacrosse player at Phillips Academy for four years. Having scored 5 goals in this season's game against KUA, and another 5 against NMH, MacMillan broke the school's record for goals scored in women's lacrosse, held until now by Alison Caughlin '95 with 92 goals. Kate Mac scored her 101st goal on Wednesday, and has been one of the top six scoring leaders since '97. A stellar athlete and asset to the team, Kate is this week's Athlete of the Week.

Kate began her lacrosse career at Thayer Academy in the 6th grade. A dedicated softball player since she was six years old, Kate went shopping with her best friend Kate Barry to buy a lacrosse stick. "I was so jealous that she was getting to buy this new piece of athletic equipment," she reminisced. Intrigued by the sport, Kate got a lacrosse stick too and practiced over her spring break. When she returned for tryouts, she made the middle school "A" team, which would go on to be undefeated. Although MacMillan left Thayer to attend PA, Barry remained and grew up to be the captain of the Varsity team. "We are playing them on Saturday, and she plays defense on my position, " Kate explained with a smile, "so that's really cool."

MacMillan grew up as an only child in Hingham, Massachusetts. When she decided suddenly to switch from softball to lacrosse, her father worried that she was abandoning such a great talent. "But the game of lacrosse is so exciting to watch, my parents just loved it, and now my dad is totally into lacrosse," she said. He proves his newfound dedication every Wednesday, when he comes to watch Kate play. "One of the things I will miss most about high school is that every Wednesday my dad will come to the game and we'll go out to dinner afterwards, and it's something I always look forward to."

Although MacMillan loved the athletics at Thayer, it was a small day school which lacked the academic emphasis she desired. In addition, Kate wanted to live at a boarding school where she could really get involved in the student community. After applying to Andover, Exeter, Saint Paul's, and Milton, Kate fell in love with PA. "I loved the location, the academics, I met Kathy, I just loved it." Kathy Henderson, the former under 19 U.S. women's lacrosse coach, was the head Varstiy coach at Phillips Kate's freshman year. "She is one of the most amazing people I've ever met, and she still has a big influence on me," commented MacMillan. Kate was so impressed and awed by Henderson, she made it her main goal freshman year to make varsity. The winter of her freshman year, MacMillan took morning basics and practiced her lacrosse all afternoon. When she made the team, she got the chance to play with "amazing attack players and athletes," including Stephanie Hunter '97, Heather Gotha '98, and Mary Barensfeld '97. "It was so great to play with people who loved the game as much as I did," said MacMillan.

Along with many team wins and personal victories, MacMillan recalls two particularly wonderful moments in her PA career. During the 1999 championship game against Middlesex, Andover was psyched to defeat the team which had beaten them in an earlier season scrimmage. Despite being checked in the face and bleeding from the head, MacMillan scored six goals in that game, and PA won the championship. Also last season, Phillips was playing Thayer, her alma mater, and was down 2-0. Unwilling to lose to her former school, Kate scored the first five goals, leading Andover to victory.

In addition to her devotion to lacrosse, MacMillan also played Varsity field hockey for four years. Flagstaff's DC representative, Vice President of Women's Forum her Upper year, former sport's editor of the Phillipian, and active participant in ARC, Kate was accomplished in multiple PA arena's. She plans to attend Cornell University next year, where she was recruited for lacrosse, and wants to major in American Studies. "[American Studies] is basically a combination of English, history, government, women's studies; it's a bunch of things because I'm interested in everything," reflected MacMillan. Her dream job, however, is to work for a record company. "All of my friends know that I am really into music," Kate explained.

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Although MacMillan attributes a lot of her lacrosse success to coach Kathy Henderson, her biggest influence is her father. Never pushing or pressuring Kate but always supportive, MacMillan's parents played a big role in her life. "My dad was always around to throw and catch with me in the yard, and he is not the athletic type. He just learned to throw and catch with a lacrosse stick so that we could pass around. Lacrosse brought my father and I closer together, which has been both a positive influence and product of my playing."

Having defeated NMH 20-6 on Wednesday, MacMillan looks forward to competing on Saturday against Thayer, arguably her favorite game of the season.

Girls Lacrosse Continues Its High-Scoring Domination

by Dan Shvartsman
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	**17**
Holderness	**6**

The Girls Lacrosse team has been very unlucky this year when it comes to weather, with this week being no exception. After having a game canceled last weekend, Andover had to play on a cold, rainy, grey afternoon on Wednesday in Holderness. The girls have not let the meteorological obstacles affect their play however, adding yet another thrashing in a 17-6 win against Holderness. They were paced by seven goals from team leader Kate Macmillan '00 and solid goaltending from both Kate Davies '00 and Ally Mattison '02.

The Blue didn't waste anytime getting going as they dominated Holderness early in the match. Andover scored the first eight goals before slowing down late in the first half. With Kate Davies' sound goaltending and good midfield play from Anna Barensfeld '00, the girls basically ended this game before it started. They still didn't let up at the end of the half, as they increased the lead to 11-3.

In the second half Ally Mattison got in the net and played extremely well, according to Coach Kate Dolan. Using that as their backbone, the Blue continued the aggressive play while continuing to play a ball control game to chew the clock. Andover only scored six more goals as their explosive offense was replaced with other members of the team.

Captain Ashley Harmeling '00 hurt her foot early on, but still played a solid game, picking up a goal. Andover also showed some frustration in the fact that they were playing in miserable weather after a long bus ride. Both Macmillan and Christine Anneberg received yellow cards for severe penalties.

One thing that seems to be working really well for Andover is the platoon in net between Mattison and Davies. Both played solid games today, each only allowing three goals in a half. Davies got her second straight start, while Mattison came in the second half. Davies seems to be a little stronger at making saves, while Mattison has better ball control and is able to start up the offense.

Andover had a couple stars in this game that helped to lead the team. Macmillan obviously led the way offensively, but Barensfeld also had a real good game, bringing energy to the team as well as scoring two goals. Merri Hudson '00 led the defense in keeping the clamps on Holderness. Coach Dolan was beaming about the defense in general, saying, "The set defense played really well for us today."

The squad will now get two shots this week to improve on their 3-0 record. Saturday at home they host Taft, and then Wednesday they visit BB&N. Of course, showers are in the forecast, but if the game goes on, it will surely be difficult to beat these girls.

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Mariel O'Brien '01 brings the ball upfield one of last week's two blow-out wins.

GIRLS LACROSSE HITS STRIDE IN WINNING WEEK

TAFT AND BB&N OUSTED

After Two Triumphs, Squad Ready for Tabor

by Dan Shvartsman
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	18
Taft	4

Andover	15
BB&N	12

The Girls Lacrosse team has had a big week, overcoming adversity to win two important games, including a blowout before the home crowd on Saturday. The girls won in two different ways, with great defense and a powerful touch on Saturday, and a come-from-behind win on Wednesday. They now prepare for an early season collision of titans, as they now play another undefeated team in Tabor.

Saturday's game allowed the Blue to nourish its wounds that were still open from a year ago, when they played the one team which had beaten them last year: Taft. This game was an extremely close one that was decided in overtime by one goal. Taft had lost the player who had carried them, to graduation and a D-1 college, but coming in, Andover was still expecting a really close game, and hoping just to be able to put its enemy away in the second half. As one of the team leaders, Christine Anneberg '00 related, "There was definitely a pumped-up attitide on the team. We wanted to get them back for last year." The where pleasantly surprised, as they dominated.

Andover never had a problem in this game, and they just kept piling on golas. But the key to their game was stifling defense and great goaltending from Ally Mattison '02, who went the distance in net. The Blue focused on a few good players and tried to shit them down, and didn't have any problems. Merri Hudson "01, Anna Lewis '00, Annd Valeo '00, Louisa Butler 02, and Laura Sanders "00 led the repeated defensive stands. On the rare occasions when Taft was able to squeeze off a shot, Mattison was usually there for the save. By the half, Taft had put the biscuit in the basket only two times.

There was no let up in the second half either, as the defense was airtight. Taft founds itself lucky, as they actually scored two more goals, while Andover had no trouble at the other end, scoring on almost every shot. The midfield connections that were made were very important to this game, as their fast break play was perfected. The scoreboard showed an 18-4 victory for the Blue girls when it was all over, as they buried the only ghost that was haunting them from last season.

Despite the chasm that arose between the two scores, it was still an intense game throughout, as Taft did have its moments. The girls in Blue took the opportunity to work on their offensice plays and keep sharp. There was no doubt they enjoyed themselves as the put away the one team that beat them in the last year and a half.

Ther next game came Wednesday on the road agaisnt BB&N. This was supposed to be an easy tune up tfor the big game on Saturday, but the girls leaned about that old cliche, "Take every game on at a time, With some sloppy play throughout the game on the offensice end, Andover looked prime for an upset. But the girls eventually pulled out a tough 15-12 win.

The Big Blue struggled terribly

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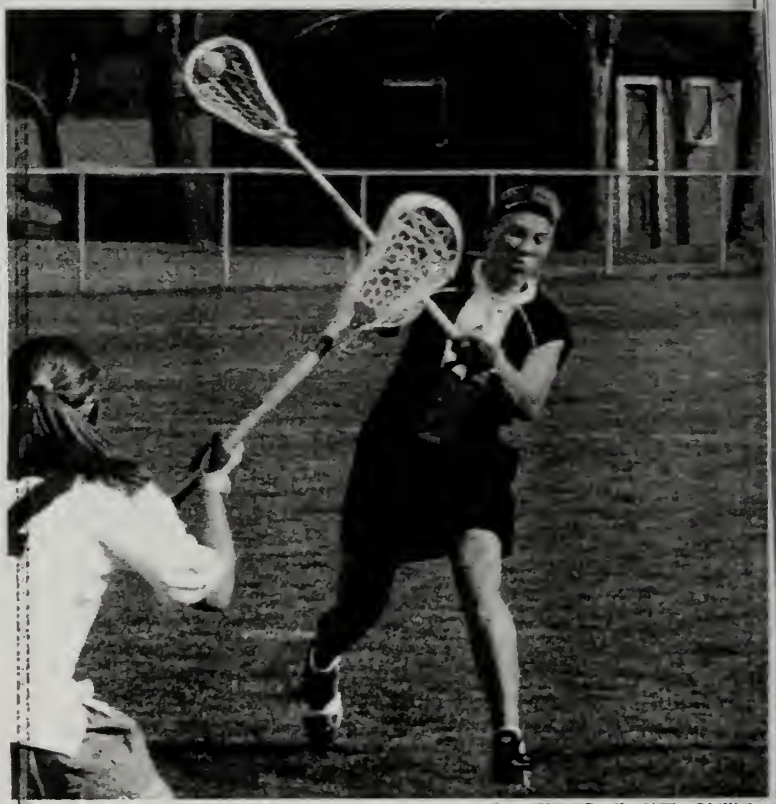
Girls Lacrosse Bests Old Foe, Taft; Caps Off Week With Win Over BB&N

early on, as they couldn't get anthing odne on the ofensive end and sccording to Coach Kate Dolan, "Just started slow defensicely, playing flatfooted." Good goaltending by Mattison, however, who got her second straight start and was coing of a career game, kept it close. In an extremely low-scoring affair, it was 3-1 BB&N at the close of the half.

In the sceond half Andover really turned it on in the offensice end, and the execution, which was very poor in the first, got somewhat better. Ashley Harmeling '00 had her usual outstanding game, picking up five goals. Kate MacMillan '00 had three goals, Valeo and Anna Barensfield '02 both had one, and Lauren Anneberg had a couple spectacular goals, going coast to coast both times using good cradling and dough dekes to find the back of the net. Andover went on a 14-3 run to pull away, but as Coach Dolan said, "We never got far enough ahead to be comfortable." Due to some sloppy turnovers in the Andover end, BB&N was able to crawly back into the game. Kate Davies '00, who came in when just about everything was working offensively, was hot and cold, as she had some great saves and let in some easy goals.

Throughout the game to girls just couldn't get going. They either had problems picking up goals, or they couldn't get the ball out of the zone effectively, but did show signs of climbing out of the slum in their strong second half.

Now the girls approach a huge test early in their season. Tabor has a few star players that the girls will be keying in on, and if they are successful, they will have a good chance in this game. they are looking forward to a big boost from the home crowd, which could make a differece in a tight game, wich this appears to be. But then again, they though Saturday's game was going to be a big one, and we know how that turned out.



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Christine Anneberg '00 unleashes a shot on goal in Saturday's whipping of Taft.

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Ashley Harmeling '00 makes a move past her defender en route to goal in Saturday's 18-4 shellacking of an overmatched Taft squad. Defense was the key to the win.

GIRLS LACROSSE DROPS TO TABOR FOR FIRST LOSS

FIRST-HALF WOES

6-0 Second Half Run Not Enough to Catch Up

by Dan Shvartsman
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

5/6/00

Tabor 15
Andover 12

Last weekend the girls in Blue had their toughest test of the season as they went up against Tabor, also undefeated. On a blisteringly hot day in front of the home crowd, Andover knew a big game was needed. They did play well enough to win for 35 minutes in this game, but the game goes 50 minutes, and those 15 other minutes spelled defeat for the Blue, whose record now drop to 5-1, with two games to go.

The game started well for Andover, as it matched the powerful Tabor team in the first 10 minutes. Kate Macmillan '00 and Christine Anneberg '00 had early goals for the Blue, knotting the game at 5-5. Kate Davies '00 got the start in net and played acceptably while the game was still young. But the fact that the defense was breached those five times did not bode well for later in the game. This problem was quickly exposed.

In the next 15 minutes, Andover learned how it felt for the teams that it has beaten in the past few weeks, which was often done with a huge offensive spurt. Tabor just started clicking on all cylinders. Their big guns, despite being keyed in on, started picking up goals, and Andover was almost helpless to stop them. Meanwhile, Andover's offensive sloppiness that hurt them for a half against B.B.& N. resurfaced, and they couldn't come up with anything. Tabor took advantage of Andover's struggles and went on an 8-1 tear to break this game wide open. That stretch made the game 14-6 at the half, when Andover had a

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Bad 15 Minutes in First Half Results in Girls Lax First Loss

chance to regroup and try to crawl

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out of the hole they had dug for themselves.

The second half was a big improvement for Andover, as they started to out hustle Tabor and made crisp passes. This resulted in a turnaround for the Blue, and they pulled to within three, making it 14-11. Macmillan and Anneberg again found the back of the net, with Anna Valeo '00, Bernadette Doykos '00, and Ashley Harmeling '00 chipping in for a goal apiece. Ally Mattison '02 had come in the game to start the half and shut down Tabor.

Tabor's coach made the call of the game, taking a time-out right after it had become this close. This pause allowed Tabor to recover, relax, and reminded them to slow down the pace since they had the lead. They did just that, controlling the ball and the clock to end the game. Both teams scored another goal, leaving the final tally at 15-12.

The keys to the game for Tabor were getting their star players going and everything working on the run at the end of the first half. As Coach Kate Dolan put it, "We dug ourselves into a hole too deep to climb out of." Tabor also was very successful in keeping the clamps on Harmeling, who was limited to one goal. Andover did have some things working for them. Doykos and Louisa Butler '02 had standout games, and Mattison kept Tabor to one goal in the second half. "Just about the whole team stepped it up in the second half," Dolan stated.

Andover received an unexpected day off on Wednesday, thanks to another rainout of a game against G.D.A. They now have two tough games against Loomis, on the road Saturday, and Winsor, home next Wednesday. These will close out the regular season, which is followed by the league tournament at Newton Country Day a week from Saturday. Their loss will likely put them at the second or third seed, which means a tougher challenge, including a game against rival Middlesex. But now the girls have something to work for, and every championship road has its speed bumps.

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Lauren Anneberg '01 has her pass obstructed by a Tabor defender in the girls first loss of the season last Saturday.

Girls Lacrosse Returns to Mid-Season Form With Two Strong Offensive Efforts, Notches 34 Goals

By Dan Shvartsman
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Andover	**17**
Loomis-Chaffee	**11**

Andover	**17**
Winsor	**7**

The Girls Lacrosse team had two final tune ups this week, to prepare for the New England Tournament at Newton Country Day on Saturday, and Exeter a week from today. They definitely took advantage, destroying two not-so-quality opponents. They struggled against Loomis on the road, but pulled away. Then at home they shot down Winsor with a dominating 1st half of play.

Loomis posed some problems for the girls, who also had to contend with a 3-hour bus ride before the game. They struggled through the 1st half, leading only 8-6. But in the 2nd half, after allowing a quick two goals to tie the game, the Blue girls pulled a way thanks to a 6-0 run. They coasted the rest of the way, winning 17-11. Captain Ashley Harmeling '00 keyed the team with 7 goals and 5 assists. Christine Anneberg '00 also had 5 goals, and Ally Mattison '02 played well in net all game, getting better as the contest went on.

Andover started the game out gunning, with Harmeling leading the way. In the first minute Harmeling picked up a loose ball behind the net and stuffed it home, giving the girls a 1-0 lead. Then after a penalty committed against Laura Sanders'00, Sanders passed it to Christine Anneberg '00, and she fed Harmeling for another goal. Harmeling set up the next goal right from the face off. She battled for position as play started, and was right there to get the ball. She raced down the field before finding Kate Macmillan '00 in front of the net, and Macmillan hit pay dirt. Harmeling scored one more time on tip-in before going to the bench for a breather with the score 4-0.

The Blue continued the offensive pressure. Christine Anneberg picked up the rebound of a missed shot and sealed her first goal of the game. Vanessa Locks '01 showed overall prowess, as she intercepted a long pass, raced halfway down the field, and found the back of the net to make it 6-0. Merri Hudson '01 took advantage of a Winsor turnover in the Andover zone, sent a pass to Locks, who showcased her speed by flying up the field again before picking up an assist by finding Lauren Anneberg '01, who scored. Anna Barensfeld '02 keyed the next goal by making a nice pass to Macmillan, who connected on a one-timer.

Andover continued to substitute freely throughout the half. It still didn't matter, as they couldn't be stopped. Susanna Richardson '00 took the ball off a face off and sprinted in for a goal. The next goal came thanks to a lot of patience. Harmeling just sat behind the net as the girls tried a few plays to score, with no success. Finally, a Winsor defender left Locks all alone; Harmeling passed it to her, and she scored. Bernadette Doykos '00 set up Susanna Richardson for her second goal, making it 11-0. Harmeling picked up her third assist, as Anna Valeo '00 scored from right in front of the net. Katie Davies '00

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even got a point, as she fed Macmillan right before the half for a goal. At half time Andover was dominating 13-0.

The second half was all about getting finishing the game. They tried to sit on a 13-0 lead, but were actually get outscored in the 2nd half. However, as Coach Dolan put it, "At that point you're not too worried, a 13-0 lead at the half should be enough." Anna Valeo picked up 2 more goals, and Harmeling and Anneberg each had one. Winsor picked up 7 goals in the half, but it wasn't nearly enough, as Andover won 17-7.

Andover's key in this game was their swarming trap defense. They allowed a total of 4 shots in the 1st half and likely could have held Winsor to a goal or two at most if they needed to. Mattison '02 again played as well as she had to play in net, though she didn't see too many shots. Merri Hudson '01 and Heather Woodin '01 played great defense, with Hudson often making the outlet to lead to a goal and Woodin showing dazzling speed from one side of the field to the other, creating offensive chances.

Andover now enters the tournament on Saturday at a strong #2 seed. They will likely have rival Middlesex in a tough semifinal match, and should they win, they will probably get another shot at the one team that beat them this year, #1 seed Tabor. They will continue to need the fine play of the 2nd half on Saturday and the 1st half on Wednesday if they want to pull it out, but they definitely can do that.

SPORT: SOFTBALL

YEAR: 1999-2000

CAPTAIN: Katherine Otway & Lauren Tsai
HOME ADDRESS:

MANAGER: Renee Moulton
HOME ADDRESS:

COACH: Peter Drench
ASSISTANT COACHES:

SEASON RECORD

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LETTER WINNERS

Anderson, Jane
Conley, Camille
Curry, Reed
Davis, Heather
Friedlander, Karen
Grote, Emily
Hubbard, Erica
Izenstein, Emily
Judge, Jessica
Leonard, Katherine
Martin, Katherine
McCann, Kaitlin
McGirt, Erin
Moulton, Renee
Muscatel, Mistina
Otway, Katherine
Tsai, Lauren
Woitkowski, Dasen

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Sat. Apr. 4, 2000	(H)	Andover PLayday	not recorde		
Wed. Apr. 5, 2000	(A)	Lowell High	not recordec		
Sat. Apr. 8, 2000	(H)	Bucksport High School	0	2	
Sat. Apr. 15, 2000	(H)	Noble HS & Pittsfield	2	3	Noble
			3	2	Pitts
Wed. Apr. 19, 2000	(H)	K.U.A.	Rained Out		
Sat. Apr. 22, 2000	(H)	Exeter/NMH/Wilmington	Rained Out		
Wed. Apr. 26, 2000	(H)	Presentation Of Mary	Snowed Out		
Sat. Apr. 29, 2000	(H)	Cushing/Tabor/Nazareth	15	1	Cush
			5	0	Tab.
Wed. May 3, 2000	(A)	Exeter	4	6	
Fri. May 5, 2000	(H)	New Hampton	Canceled		
Sat. May 6, 2000	(H)	North Reading/Wilmington	4	9	NR
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			3	2	Deer
Sat. May 20, 2000	(A)	Tournament (Greenfield)	PA 6-1 Kimball Union		
			PA 10-0 Williston		
Sun. May 21, 2000	(A)	Tournament (Greenfield)	PA 11-3 Exeter		
			PA 5-7 StonekisBurnham		
Fri. May 26, 2000	(H)	St. Paul's	6	0	
Sat. May 27, 2000	(H)	Exeter	3	0	

Softball Loses Heartbreaker to Bucksport HS in 2–0 Pitchers' Duel; Team Remains Optimistic

DEFENSIVE LAPSES HURT

Erica Hubbard Goes the Distance for Andover

by Emily Izenstein
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Rocksport	2
Andover	0

After battling through six strong innings, Andover's Girls Varsity Softball team lost 2-0 to Bucksport High School in its season opener on Saturday. The game started off without much energy, as both teams struggling to play through winds of up to fifty miles per hour, making fielding tricky and sitting down several batters. The bats got going slowly for both teams in the early innings, although Bucksport nearly scored in the bottom of the second. Luckily, the Big Blue's solid defense pulled the team out of a sticky situation. More hits came in the sixth, as PA runners reached second and third with no outs. Still, a strong Bucksport held PA at 0-0, even with the 3-4-5 hitters coming to bat. Ultimately, Bucksport came out on top, scoring two runs in the top of the seventh.

Erica Hubbard '01 pitched all seven innings for the Blue. She threw a strong first game with ten strikeouts, allowing four hits and walking three. The winning pitcher, Kelly White '02 of Bucksport, limited PA to just two singles by Hubbard and first baseman Karen Friedlander '01, striking out four, and walking three. White fielded her position extremely well, snagging two hits up the middle and turning both into infield outs. She made a "particularly big play", said Coach Peter Drench, "by driving to flag down a smash hit to her left by catcher Katherine Leonard '02 with runners on second and third, to end Andover's sixth inning rally." Andover's defense, although powerful for so early in the season, was less than flawless, allowing a single, a walk, a stolen base, a wild pitch, and a two-out infield throwing error. "It was the errors and walks that killed us," says Hubbard, "but it's still early. We're working hard to clean up our defense, and the hard work will definitely pay off." Pitcher/catcher Emmy Grote '02 summed up the team's thoughts on Saturday saying, "It was a really close game and we held out through some tough situations. We just couldn't keep it together in the seventh, but all in all it was a strong start."

Bucksport is currently the favorite to win the Eastern Maine Class B championship this year, and is reaching for the state title. Andover went into the game also defending their title as winners of the NMH Tournament, the New England Prep School Softball Championship. "I am always impressed by our team effort," says pitcher/first baseman Heather Davis '00, "We all kept working right through the end of the game. Our commitment to reaching the top is very evident."

The team has had several very focused practices since Saturday, working to strengthen its offense and clean up its defense. With no game scheduled for Wednesday, the team played a twelve on eleven inter-squad game. The exercise was helpful in pinpointing the Blue's strongest and weakest areas, as well as providing excellent practice for the younger players on the team. Also, it gave the returners a great opportunity to bond and work with the newer players.

The team will face Noble High school and Pittsfield High School this Saturday in a double header at Isham Field at 11:30 a.m. The Pittsfield/PA match-up will be especially exciting for Andover as new shortstop Dasen Woitkowski '00 comes to the Blue from the Pittsfield team.

On Wednesday, April 19, Andover will face a strong Kimberly Union team at 3:00 p.m. The team hopes to come up on top in all three challenging games. With a lot of talent and energy, the Girls' Varsity Softball team looks forward to a winning season.

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All star PA pitcher Erica Hubbard '01 prepares to strike.

Girls Softball Team Splits One-Run Pitchers' Duels

by Emily Izenstein
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Noble High School	**3**
Andover	**2**

Andover	**3**
Pittsfield	**2**

Andover's Girls Varsity Softball hosted a four-team, two-game contest on Saturday that included Noble High School of Berwick, Maine, North Andover High School, and Pittsfield High School. Andover faced the Noble and Pittsfield teams in a doubleheader. PA came up with a hard fought loss to NHS and a win over Pittsfield.

In the first game, Andover took on Noble, and came up short, losing 3-2. The Blue carried a 2-1 lead into the sixth inning, with new pitcher Emmy Grote '02 throwing a superb game. Grote proved herself to be a strong starter, and commanded the Noble batters in her six innings of work, allowing only five singles, two walks, and striking out three. Erica Hubbard '01 came back and pitched a strong seventh inning, though the game was lost in the sixth as the Blue surrendered two runs with two outs. Hubbard was impressed by Grote's abilities on the mound, and commented, "Emmy pitched a great game; she really came through for the team and proved herself out there." Coach Peter Drench adds, "Her versatility has already added a lot to the softball team."

The Andover girls fought in their at bats, with singles from Grote, Dasen Woitkowski '00, and left-fielder Kaitlin McCann '02. First/third baseman Karen Freidlander '01 also had a great hit, smashing a double to left field in the fourth inning and advancing catcher Katherine Leonard '02, who had led off with a walk, to third base. Designated hitter Reed Curry '01 drove in a run by reaching on a fielder's choice error. Curry then combined with Freidlander for a double steal. Unfortunately, a strike out and a popup ended Andover's scoring for the game.

Noble's exceedingly strong pitcher, P. Coffin, who also drove in NHS's winning runs, retired an incredible thirteen in a row after Curry. Woitkowski was able to break the trend with her single in the sixth, but the Blue wasn't able to keep up the hits. With a single in the seventh, McCann reached base with one out but was thrown out trying to steal. Noble came up on top, with its second straight win against PA in the annual series. Co-captain Lauren Tsai '00 reflected on the game, commenting, "As a team, we're improving quickly and that was evident in many of our plays. The talent on both teams was really strong, and I was impressed by our struggle, despite the loss."

The Blue went on to conquer Pittsfield in a 3-2 winner. It was a big win for the girls, proving that when they work hard and work together, they end up on top.

The game started off tough for the Blue. Pitcher Heather Davis '00 struck out Pittsfield's lead-off hitter, but the visitors quickly found their groove. The Pittsfield line up was stacked with experienced and unintimidated batters, especially in the middle of the order, who gave their team a early first inning lead.

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The Blue fought back, earning two runs of their own in the first inning. Co-captain and second baseman Katherine Otway '00 earned her first base hit of the season, a strong drive to left field. Woitkowski doubled to the fence, driving in Tsai, who had earned her first of three. Otway made it home later in the inning on a passed ball.

Coach Drench characterized the next few innings by saying, "The two teams settled into a tense defensive struggle characterized by aggressive play held at bay by fine pitching. Fans were treated to the kind of 'white knuckle' atmosphere that hard-fought fast pitch softball features." Both pitchers walked and struck out several, reflective of early season ball. Still, it was clear that Davis came out on top, allowing only one hit and striking out seven using only a fastball and a rise ball.

Leonard and Freidlander also played very well for the Blue. Rookie Jane Anderson '03 layed down a great two-strike bunt, allowing her to reach base in the bottom of the sixth. The game was characterized by impressive plays such as this one, along with shining work from Grote, Tsai, and Otway. McCann commented, "Our team is improving every day, and this game really showed how our hard work is paying off. Pittsfield is an excellent team, but we were able to come out on top, and that says a lot about a team so early into their season."

Both the Noble and Pittsfield games proved to be strong ones for the Blue. Clearly, they will continue to shine throughout their season. Weather providing, they will host another four-team program this Saturday. Otway offered some closing thoughts, "I am always impressed by the team's devotion to improvement. We work hard in our practice time and with excellent coaching, we're definitely going to continue to dominate."

Crushing Wins Carry Softball Against Cushing and Tabor

by Emily Izenstein
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	15
Cushing	1
Andover	5
Tabor	0

After suffering four consecutive rained-out games, the Andover Girls Softball team came back with a bang. The Blue hosted Cushing Academy and Tabor Academy on Saturday in a PA-dominated double header. The day started off with a 15-1 blowout against Cushing. The Blue looked quick with strong defense and even stronger offense. Clearly, the girls' intense offensive practice in the last two weeks has paid off. After allowing Cushing a quick unearned run in the top of the first inning, the Blue began hitting. The Blue pounded out twelve hits and enjoyed three free passes.

Pitcher Heather Davis '00 sailed right along after a rusty first inning, which was a result of two weeks without contests due to inclement weather. Tabor first baseman, Coppney, walked to start off the game, advanced to second on a bunt, and advanced to third on a wild pitch. With an error on a pick-off attempt, Coppney beat the throw to home from left fielder Jess Judge '00, and scored. In the process, Coppney bowled over catcher Katherine Leonard '02, but was safe on a questionable umpire's call. Cushing carried several competitive athletes, though their softball skills proved to be less than worthy of the Big Blue. PA found holes in their pitching, catching, and defensive play, but Cushing kept a competitive edge on the game nonetheless.

Davis showed her skills once again, striking out thirteen and walking only two in an incredible two-hitter. Co-captain and right-fielder Lauren Tsai '00 reached base on all of her four at bats, hitting once and walking three times. Shortstop Dasen Woitkowski '00 and third/first baseman Karen Friedlander '01, batting fourth and fifth respectively, generated five hits in their combined seven at-bats. Center fielder Camille Conley '01 also chipped in two hits, driving in three runs for the day.

With several players unable to play due to sickness and injury, the Blue worked its subs in and out of the order. Second baseman Jane Anderson '03 played hard, filling in for Co-captain Katherine Otway '00 in the first five innings. Otway rejoined her team despite an injured back, and was able to play the final two innings. Erica Hubbard '01 and Misty Muscatel '01 shared their time at first base, both playing excellent games. Friedlander played most of the afternoon at third, helping out the injured Emmy Grote '02. Grote entered the game for the last two innings, and managed four innings in the second game, playing on a sprained ankle. Notable plays were made also by Judge, with a great hit to the left-field fence in the bottom of the first. Designated hitter Casey Martin

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Fresh Off the Bench After Four Rain–Outs, Softball Wins Two

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'02 also reached base twice.

In PA's second contest, a more focused Tabor Academy proved to be no match for the Blue. Tabor's pitcher, Heather Burns '01 of Wilton, New Hampshire, came into the circle primed for a big game, and kept up her morale through the first inning after keeping Andover off the scoreboard. Andover's pitcher Erica Hubbard '01, in her first start since April 8 due to illness and weather, set down the first seven batters in a row, proving she was ready to come back strong.

Burns lost her luck in the second inning, allowing Leonard to coax a leadoff walk. Leonard then advanced on a passed ball, and was able to advance to third with help from Grote. Hubbard then came into the box for a try on the offensive end, and her hit to Burns bounced off the glove, bringing in Leonard. The next two batters, leftfielder Kaitlin McCann '02 and Tsai walked to first and second, but Burns stranded them, striking out the next batter to end the inning.

Tabor's outfielder Kaylan Fronius '01 walked in the third inning, but couldn't make it around, picked off by Leonard and Grote at third base. The Blue scored two more in the third inning, assisted by another sacrifice bunt by Grote, a walk, and two errors. In the top of the fourth, one Tabor batter reached base on an error, while three did so after being hit by painful pitches. However, the only two hits for the visitors would come in the seventh inning.

The Blue kept their rally going throughout the game, with two runs in the sixth, helped by Tsai, Otway, Woitkowski, Friedlander, and Leonard. McCann and Conley made extraordinary running catches, registering two apiece, and supporting Hubbard's excellent pitching. The Girls Varsity softball team looks forward to another double-header on Saturday against North Andover and New Hampton.

A. Bowen/*The Phillipian*

Dasen Woitkowski '00 bats in one of softball's two wins this week.

Softball Splits Double-Header, Wins Eighth-Inning Tie-Break on Curry RBI

North Reading	9
Andover	4

Andover	1
Wilmington	0

by Emily Izenstein
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

5/6/00

The PA softball squad had a mixed day on Saturday, splitting the results of its double header. A disappointing loss to North Reading High School 9-4 started the afternoon, though the Blue was able to rebound with a tight 1-0 win over Wilmington High in eight innings.

When North Reading and Andover meet on the field, the result is usually a tight, well-played event. With 1999 Division III state and Northfield-Mount Hermon Tournament titles, respectively, the two teams expected a closer score than that which resulted. However, following a long morning of SAT testing, the two teams each committed five sloppy errors, with North Reading High School prevailing. Though both teams each had eight hits, the difference was that PA threw eight walks, while NRHS gave up none.

Erica Hubbard '01 began at the mound, despite a lingering illness this spring. After three innings that were not representative of her usual ability, Emmy Grote '02 relieved and finished the game.

Despite the huge loss, Andover did have some highlights. Catcher Katherine Leonard '02 registered two hits, while Reed Curry '01 reached the base twice with a double and a stolen base. Camille Conley '01 continued her hot streak of solid play in center field, making three excellent catches and working with her improving range.

In Saturday's second game, the Blue came back with a thrilling win over Wilmington in an extra-inning contest, coming up 1-0. Heather Davis '00 pitched all eight innings, clearly going the distance for her team. Davis gave up only three hits, struck out eight, and walked none.

Davis was backed up by a revitalized lineup in the game against Wilmington. The team played tight defense and elevated its offense, accumulating six hits. Wilmington's fieldwork proved to be nearly as strong as Andover's, with similarly excellent pitching, and only one error.

The first inning looked promising as PA loaded the bases with singles by Karen Friedlander '01, Hubbard, and Curry, but came up empty-handed. In the second inning Leonard blasted a double but unfortunately, wasn't able to score. The next few innings were rough offensively due to excellent pitching as Wilmington retired nine batters in a row. Second baseman Jane Anderson '03 came up to break the streak, capitalizing on the one WHS error. After a failed hit-and-run attempt though, the Blue came up short again. Friedlander reached first base in the sixth on a walk, but was thrown out on a force play and the inning ended with no change in the score.

On the defensive side, Davis exhibited her intense skill in streaks, sitting down six, eight, and eight batters in a row. Still, despite phenomenal pitching and defense, PA's offense continued to battle. The seventh inning looked promising as Conley singled, and was then assisted by pinch runner Casey Martin '02. Leonard then advanced Martin with a grounder to third. Grote stepped up to the plate and laid down an excellently placed sacrifice bunt, advancing the runners with two out. Leadoff hitter and Co-captain Lauren Tsai '00, a veteran of such pressure situations who hit the ball hard three times that day, grounded out to end the rally.

Both teams conferenced before the eighth inning tiebreaker and the intensity could be felt on both sides. Wilmington's left fielder started at second base to begin the International Tiebreaker that PA uses instead of extra innings. The first WHS batter popped a high ball to Co-captain Katherine Otway '00 at third base, who was making her first start at third in three years. The WHS batter on second advanced to third as the following batter launched a fly ball to centerfield, which was run down and caught by Conley. WHS pitcher Mainini lined a sharp hit straight back to Davis at the mound, and that ended the WHS hopes of bringing in a run.

Tsai started at second base for the Blue at the bottom of the eighth, and the team felt confident behind her, knowing that her aggressive base running and quick judgement would be essential. Otway stepped up to bat first and sacrificed Tsai to third, making the first out of the inning. WHS, feeling the pressure of a runner on third and less than two outs, was forced to bring in its infield and outfield, hoping that it wouldn't receive a long ball. Opting not to walk to load the bases, WHS pitched to Curry, who responded perfectly. Curry hit a hard one-hopper to the first baseman's left, but Tsai beat out the throw to home, and the Blue came up victorious 1-0. Certainly the final run was one of the biggest and most important for Andover this year, and there is no doubt that it was the most welcome. Tsai commented on the game, "The Wilmington game was the best defensive game we've played so far this season, and now we just need to focus on hitting and making sure we don't leave people on base at the end of an inning." Otway agreed with Tsai and added, "We're looking forward to a chance to really prove ourselves at the Tournament towards the end of the season. We love to win throughout the whole season, but we're mostly concerned about going all out at the Tournament. We're going there with every intention to win."

The girls continue to practice hard, though their game against Shawsheen Tech was rained out on Wednesday. They will take on Stonleigh-Burnam Academy and Deerfield Academy this Saturday, the first game beginning at 1:30. They look forward to wins next week, and are anticipating an exciting challenge at the NMH Tournament next weekend. This tournament serves as the New England Tournament equivalent, and after winning its championship title last year, Andover hopes to come out on top once again.

K. O'Connor/*The Phillipian*

Katherine Otway '00 easily makes the catch on a pop fly.

Errors Cost Softball Game vs. Stoneleigh; Record Evened 5-5

By Pat Linnemann
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS ASSOCIATE

Stoneleigh-Burnham	8
Andover	2
Andover	3
Deerfield	2

In the first of two games this past Saturday, Andover squared off against Stoneleigh-Burnham. Stoneleigh took an early 1-0 lead following the first inning after a questionable call on the base runner at third who later scored Stoneleigh's first run. Andover knotted the game at one when Dasen Woitkowski '00, who singled and took second on a wild pitch, scored on a single by Karen Friedlander '01.

Heather Davis '00 pitched for Andover and did not receive much support from her defense as they committed six errors, which led to seven more runs for Stoneleigh-Burnham. Andover was only able to add one more run which came in the seventh inning. Pinch hitter Reed Curry was issued a free pass and advanced to second on a single by Jess Judge '00 and scored on a fielder 's choice. Stoneleigh was able to capitalize on Andover 's sloppy defense which ultimately won the game for them. With a disappointing 8-2 loss, Andover looked ahead to the next game in which they would face a tough Deerfield squad.

Andover came out strong in the first inning, and with a few lucky breaks were able to gain a commanding 3-0 lead. The scoring rally was started by Captain Katherine Otway '00 who walked. Dasen Woitkowski '00 reached on an error, and Friedlander followed with a single. With the bases loaded, Erica Hubbard '01 and Katherine Leonard '02 knocked in the runs on Deerfield errors to take an all-important lead.

Erica Hubbard was dominant on the mound for Andover as she cruised through the first three innings. In the fourth, Deerfield put together three hits to put them on the scoreboard, 3-1. Andover only allowed one more run on a miscue in the infield as they took the victory 3-2.

The win improves the Big Blue 's record to 5-5 on the season. Captain Lauren Tsai '00 was positive about Andover 's performance as she commented after the game "Even though our offense needs to improve our strength in defense allowed us to prosper in the second game. It was key that our pitcher was able to rely on the defense behind her." Senior Dasen Woitkowski also added, "It was a good game to come back together mentally and helped us win this weekend. It felt good to get a win under our belt." Andover is optimistic as they enter the tournament this weekend, hoping their defense can prevail.

5/13/00

A. Tucker/*The Phillipian*

Girls softball finally got a chance to stretch their legs this week, after a series of rained-out games, but fell on Saturday to Stoneleigh–Burnham.

SPORT: TENNIS - BOYS

YEAR: 1999-2000

CAPTAIN: Andrew Merle
HOME ADDRESS:

MANAGER:
HOME ADDRESS:

COACH: Thomas Hodgson
ASSISTANT COACHES:

SEASON RECORD

WON 7 LOST 5 TIED 0

LETTER WINNERS

Donthamsetty, Ramesh
Dougherty, Matthew
Gardner, Charles
Merle, Andrew
Natale, Matthew
Pearson, John
Sklar, Adam
Takvorian, Samuel

BOYS' TENNIS

			PA	OPP
Fri. Apr. 7, 2000	(H)	Belmont Hill	4	0
Wed. Apr. 12, 2000	(H)	Tufts	4	0
Fri. Apr. 14, 2000	(H)	Andover High School	4	3
Sat. Apr. 15, 2000	(A)	N.M.H.	6	3
Fri. Apr. 21, 2000	(A)	Groton	0	4
Wed. Apr. 26, 2000	(A)	Milton	4	1
Sat. Apr. 29, 2000	(H)	Deerfield	2	4
Wed. May 3, 2000	(A)	Exeter	1	6
Fri. May 5, 2000	(H)	Middlesex	6	1
Wed. May 10, 2000	(A)	Moses Brown	Rained Out	
Reschedualed May 17, 2000			3	4
Sat. May 13, 2000	(A)	Choate	4	3
Mon. May 15, 2000	(H)	St. John's	0	4
Sat. May 20, 2000	(A)	Tournament	3	4 Groton
Wed. May 24, 2000	(H)	Exeter	cancelled	
Sat. May 27, 2000	(A)	Tournament	not recorded	

BOYS TENNIS MOPS UP WEAK TUFTS SQUAD, STARTS SEASON 2-0

DOUBLES ARE FLAWLESS

Captain Merle Leads With Straight Set Victory

by Harris Ackerman
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	**4**
Tufts JV	**0**

The Phillips Academy Varsity Boys Tennis team came in all pumped up last Wednesday to what it thought was going to be its first tough match of the year. College JV teams have proven to be huge challenges to Andover athletics in the past. Not this time. The Andover boys handed Tufts a severe whooping. Tufts arrived in its small bandwagon and mismatched warm-ups, completely unaware of what was about to happen. After he had removed his team from the van, the Tufts coach came to the sudden realization that he had only brought five of the six players on his team. He lobbied Andover coach Tom Hodgson to allow time to drive back to Tufts and pick up his remaining player. Forty minutes later, the Tufts coach arrived with his final player, and the match begun.

The doubles began with a clean sweep. First doubles team Andrew Merle '00 and Matt Dougherty '01 washed their opponents off the court 8-2 behind an unstoppable volley attack. Second doubles John Pearson '01 and Ramesh Donthamsetty '01 also delivered a thrashing, winning 8-4. Closing up the doubles matches, Adam Sklar '01 and Matt Natale '01 had no problem presenting their opponents with a

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third loss.

After seeing that Tufts had forgotten to bring its talent to the court, Andover was ready to finish the job with an easy round of singles. Playing at the top seed, captain Merle had a tough first set, but still managed to pull off a straight-set win in the gusting wind, 7-6 6-2.

Varsity rookie Pearson shellacked his opponent 6-0 in the first set. With the foresight that his opponent could one day be his doctor, Pearson proceeded to give up a few games en route to a 7-6 (7-3) win. Dougherty similarly showed his supremacy on the court with a straight set, 6-2 6-3 mutilation.

Donthamsetty had an interesting match. He started by giving his opponent a good, old-fashioned whooping, stomping all over him in a 6-0 in what seemed to be a warmup round for Donthamsetty. Something must have gotten into his water, however, because he came out completely flat received his own 6-0 stomping. Even the Pope couldn't help Donthamsetty as he suffered a devastating third-set groin pull and los this match.

Luckily, the Big Blue had already secured the victory and sent the Tufts players back home with their tails between their legs. Although the team lost five of its six top players from last year, the newcomers to the squad have stepped up and led Andover to an undefeated 2-0 start.

4/12/00

Rookie Boys Tennis Team Shows No Signs of Faltering

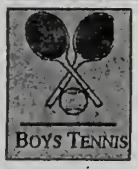
A. Tucker/ *The Phillipian*

Tennis captain Drew Merle '00 wallops a forehead back at his opponent in a match last week.

Boys Tennis Triumphs Over NMH After Dropping Top Matches; Squad Carried by Lower Seeds

by Eric Newman
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	7
NMH	3



It's half past twelve on a warm April Day at Northfield Mount Hermon. As a breeze swept over the cracked cement courts, the Phillips Academy Boys Tennis Team swept over a frazzled NMH squad.

To kick off the day's festivities, the number-one seeds battled it out on the terre battue Brad Gilbert style –"winning ugly." Missing their top seed, Captain Drew Merle '00, the boys had to slide up to fill the vacant position. John Pearson '01 moved up into the number-one slot to face a tough opponent from NMH. Tennis legends such as Johnny Mac and Chris Everet compared Pearson's match to the Sampras-Corretja dogfight at the '96 U.S. Open. Similar to the Sampras-Corretja battle, the match was full of twists. In the first game, Pearson found himself down love-40. Pumping himself up with a series of furious fist pumps, Pearson unleashed a lethal first serve and battled back to win the first game. Behind his arsenal of five aces, in conjunction with his ten winners off the ground, Pearson paved the way to his 6-2 win in the first set.

After this auspicious beginning, the match spiraled downward. Northfield Mount Hermon's number-one cut down on his unforced errors and pushed his way to a 6-4 victory in the second set. With the score knotted 1-1, the 3rd and deciding set, known to tennis aficionados as the ultimate sacrifice, proved to be a doozy. Pearson cranked eight winners from the baseline, but his opponent was just too strong, winning the third set 6-2 and the match 2-1.

After going down to the wire and coming up empty in the top-seed singles match, the Big Blue looked for victory in the second singles match. Once again, the Big Blue came up empty as Matt Dougherty '01 fell 6-0 6-0 to NMH's super import from Turkey. Northfield Mount Hermon's second seed smacked three aces and fifteen winners. Adam Sklar '01 captured the amazing play of Dougherty's opponent when he remarked, "That guy is just too good. He's the number two player in Turkey. NMH is slapping winners, smacking aces, and chippin' and chargin'!"

While NMH won the first two matches, the Big Blue Warriors navigated themselves out of the doldrums of floating forehands and sagging serves. Ramesh Donthamsetty '01 thrashed and re-thrashed his opponent 6-2, 6-0. In addition to his amazing power, Donthamsetty mixed up his shot selection, prompting Pearson to name him the "guru" for his unparalleled touch. Donthamsetty had four consecutive drop volley winners and served at a super 75% first-serve percentage. Power and touch – ha! Show me the speed – and that is just what Donthamsetty did. Charles Gardner '00 captured Donthamsetty's foot-speed when he shouted, "He's floating around the court on his twinkletoes and abusing NMH."

Energized by Donthamsetty's 6-2, 6-0 walloping of his dumbfounded opponent, the Big Blue picked up the pace and punished its remaining competitors. Along with Donthamsetty's romping, Dougherty galvanized the Big Blue when he pronounced, "stay in it boys. We're gonna win!"

Inspired by Dougherty's words of wisdom, the Big Blue Warriors journeyed out onto the battlefield with conviction. Gardner, Sklar, Matt Natale '01, and Sam Takvorian '02 pulverized their opponents, combining for 35 winners and serving 65% on first serves.

If two is better than one, four is better than two. Following that motto, the Big Blue faired a little better in doubles, winning two out of the three matches.

Although last Saturday got off to a shaky start, the Big Blue bit down and had tore apart their opponents by sundown. Next Friday, the Big Blue will shuffle on down to Groton for a tight match on green clay.

4/15/00

A. Sklar/ *The Phillipian*

John Pearson cranks a backhand down-the-line in his three-set dogfight with NMH's number-one seed.

Behind Precise Play, Boys Tennis Demolishes Milton, Improves to 5-1

by Eric Newman
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	**4**
Milton	**1**

BOYS TENNIS

Pumping their fists and slapping 32 winners, Ramesh Donthamsetty '01and John Pearson '01 pummeled their doubles competition in a crucial match and led the Big Blue to a 4-1 victory over a tough Milton squad Wednesday.

Donthamsetty and Pearson ran through their #2 doubles match in 20 minutes and energized the Big Blue Warriors with their flawless performance. While Pearson cranked five backhand winners down the line, Donthamsetty whipped his forehand crosscourt, forcing 10 errors. Along with their punishing baseline boomers, Pearson ripped 5 aces and Donthamsetty served at a whopping 75% on first serves. Coming in behind his solid first serves, Donthamsetty straddled the net, knocking off seven volley, six half volleys, and five drop volley winners. As the little wizard converged on the net, Pearson's Herculean power took over, creating overhead galore. Pearson and Donthamsetty soared through the air like Sampras, combining for 12 fenced overheads. Up 6-0 in the pro-set, Adam Sklar '01 hollered, "Milton's getting shellacked!" The dumbfounded Milton squad could just watch the ball blast by their flailing arms. Coach Hodgson captured Donthamsetty's impeccable performance when he remarked, "That was the best tennis I have ever seen Ramesh play."

Along with Donthamsetty and Pearson's 8-0 thrashing of Milton, Matt Dougherty '01 and Captain Andrew Merle '00 won their #1 doubles match 8-3 over a stellar Milton squad. Dougherty and Merle played a great all-around game, knocking off 20 winners and serving 80%. In conjunction with an aggressive baseline game à la Mr. Andre Agassi, Dougherty and Merle put the icing on the cake with some naughty touch volleys. While banging on the bleachers, Pearson commented on Dougherty and Merle's fine play: "Dougherty is bashing winners, and Merle is smoking 'em! The Big Blue is rolling!"

Although the Big Blue faired well in doubles, it ran into some tough competition in singles play. Both Merle and Pearson's matches were not completed due to time constraints; it was Dougherty's time in the limelight. Savoring his fifteen minutes of fame, Dougherty shined and step it up in the #3 singles match, winning a 6-4, 6-3 dogfight over a large Miltonian with a big forehand. After exchanging forehands with his opponent for the first part of the match, Dougherty was at a standstill. Stepping back from the service line and taking a deep breath, he changed up the pace with the chip 'n charge and a multitude of drop shots. By outsmarting his opponent and winning ugly, Brad Gilbert style, Dougherty brought the Big Blue Warriors a step closer to victory.

After Dougherty squeaked out a 6-4, 6-3 victory, Donthamsetty pounded his singles opponent 6-4, 6-0. Once again, Donthamsetty manhandled his opponent with his tantalizing touch around the net, knocking off 12 volley and six drop shot winners. Along with Donthamsetty's victory, Adam Sklar took to the lawn for the concluding match and destroyed his opponent 6-2, 6-2. He pulverized his opponent from the baseline, mounting 12 winners and causing 25 unforced errors. Sklar backed up his powerful baseline play with a solid first-serve percentage of 70% and a slice backhand referred to by Charles Gardner as "sweetness." Donthamsetty captured Sklar's formidable play when he remarked, "Sklar ran the Miltonian ragged and got his opponent to self-destruct in the second set."

Sklar's win wrapped up the 4-1 victory over a sound Milton squad. With a 5-1 start to the season, the Big Blue is heating up, and I'm not talking about global warming. Having won 4-1 over Milton, a Tennis Mecca, the Big Blue will have confidence coming into Saturday's thriller against Deerfield, one of the top ranked teams in the league.

A. Bowen/ *The Phillipian*

Matt Dougherty '01, who won his match 6-4 6-3 Wednesday, returns a forehand shot.

4/26/00

A. Sklar/ *The Phillipian*

Athlete of the Week

Boys Tennis star and top seed Drew Merle '00, who has lead the team all season with both his spirit and ability, earns Athlete of the Week honors after the squad took apart traditional powerhouse Milton on Wednesday. *-pg. B3*

Athlete Of The Week

Drew Merle '00

"When the team faces adversity, through leadership and ability, Drew guides us to the promised land."
—Adam Sklar '01

by Diana Dosik
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS ASSOCIATE

Andrew Merle '00 is the captain and fearless leader of the Boys Varsity Tennis team. He is the number one singles player, and he joins up with Matt Dougherty '01 to make the number one doubles team. After defeating his Tufts opponent on April 12 and trouncing Belmont Hill's number one player Mike Brennan 6-1 and 6-0, Merle is breezing through what promises to be a flawless season. An international tournament player and four-year varsity athlete, Andrew Merle is in his third year occupying the number one spot in singles for Phillips Academy.

Drew is a day student from nearby Lynnfield, Massachusetts. He started playing tennis when he was eight years old at the urging of his father. "He thought it was a sport that I could play forever," recalls Merle. His older brother Jeremy, now 21, played tennis as well, but never took it as seriously as Drew. While he was still in grade school, Drew started training 4-5 times a week with a private coach. "It was definitely hard... I know I missed out on things socially," recalls Drew. However, his parents strongly encouraged him to pursue his tennis career. "Sometimes I wouldn't want to go to practice, but my parents pushed it." Looking back, Drew is more than glad he took the time to work on his sport. Big tennis fans, Merle's parents have supported him throughout his childhood, and now come to watch all of his matches and tournaments. Although Drew has concentrated his efforts on the Phillip's Academy Varsity team for the past four years, Merle participated in tennis tournaments both nationally and internationally throughout his early career.

Before coming to PA, Merle developed a very impressive tennis record. He competed in multiple New England tournaments run by the USTA (United States Tennis Association). As he defeated more highly ranked opponents, his record soared, and so did his number of tournament invitations. When he was only 12 years old, Merle played his most exciting tournament in the Coupe du Quebec. Along with three other players, Drew was selected to play in the 14-and-under age group for New England against Canada.

Although Merle admits that he was sometimes reluctant to donate his childhood playtime to tennis, his "early coaches helped keep me motivated to stick with it." Drew developed a very close relationship with his former coach, Jim Sharton, with whom he still keeps in touch. "He made tennis fun for me, while still making me work hard," explained Merle.

In eighth grade, Merle decided that he wanted to attend Phillips Academy. Though he applied to BB&N as well, Drew's first choice was PA because it was "close to home and a great school."

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Since his first season on the Varsity squad in 1996, Merle has maintained strong ties with the tennis team. "My teammates at PA in the past have been some of my best friends. The tennis team usually gets along well, and is a close group." Merle especially remembers Piercarll Valdesolo '99, his former doubles partner. In 1997, Merle and Valdesolo won the New England Championships in B-doubles at NEPSITT (New England Prep School Invitational Tennis Tournament).

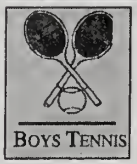
So far, Merle has led the Boys Varsity Tennis team to a position of decisive victory. However, he realizes there are rough waters ahead. "We lost five of our top six players from last year, and we have the toughest part of our schedule coming up," admits Drew. However, he is still hopeful that the team can improve on its record from the 1998 season, when Deerfield was the only team to triumph over the Big Blue. "The toughest match was last year at Interschols against Deerfield," Merle reminisced, although Andover did ultimately go on to take second place in the end-of-season tournament.

When Merle is not on the courts, he can be found skiing, playing baseball, or playing golf. He plans to attend Amherst College, where he applied successfully under the early decision plan. "I picked Amherst for the academics and because I was recruited to play tennis." He hopes to major in Political Science and to one day become a sports agent. However, before he considers his future career, Merle must focus on his last season at PA.

Exeter Trounces Boys Tennis 6–1 In Wednesday Dogfight

by Eric Newman
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Exeter	**6**
Andover	**1**



On Wednesday, May 3, Captain Andrew Merle '00 salvaged the only singles win for his team as Andover fell to Exeter 6-1 in match competition.

The dogfight between Andover's Andrew Merle and Exeter's #1 was one of the few bright spots for the Big Blue. In a three-hour marathon match, Merle squeaked out a 7-5, 6-3 victory. Both Merle and Exeter's #1 battled it out from the ground on la terre battue. Merle whipped the ball crosscourt for 15 winners while Exeter's #1 cranked 8 showtime forehands down the line. After the first few games the match had run into a dead end. Merle needed to change up the pace. Rather than putting on the juice, Merle served at a solid 80 percent on first serves. He followed up his serves by coming to net, knocking off 8 volley winners and smacking 6 overheads. In spite of Merle's consistent play, Exeter's #1 kept on the pressure by running around his back to slap 5 inside-out forehand winners. Adam Sklar 01í captured the Exeter player's formidable forehand when he said: That guy is just slapping winners all over the place." As the crowd filtered in and banged on the bleachers, Merle picked up his play. Energized by his teammates, Merle attacked his the Exeter player's backhand, came up to net, and straddled the net like a cat. With consistency and variety, Merle slowly broke down his opponent. While conversing on the grandstand with teammate Ramesh Donthamsetty '01, John Pearson '01 commented on Merle's fine play: "Merle is bashing winners and punishing Exeter's #1!" But, Exeter's #1 was no slouch. Although Merle kept pressuring his opponent by chipn' n chargn' ‡ la Stefan Edberg, Exeter's #1 ripped 2 primetime forehand passing shots down the line to bring it to 4-5 in the second set. With the wind shooting salty air in his face and a throng of Exonians heckling him from the sideline, Merle stepped back from the baseline, took a deep breath, and unleashed a 110 mph serve. He followed up his lethal serve with a swinging volley combined with a sizzling forehand inside the baseline, which set up match point #1. With a solid first serve and some good old-fashioned hustle, Merle finished off his 7-5, 6-3 dogfight by smoking a forehand winner down the line.

Following in the footsteps of Merle, Pearson and Donthamsetty took to the lawn in the featured doubles match against a nationally-ranked indoor player and Exeter's #2 seed. While Pearson cranked 8 forehand winners down the line, Donthamsetty consistently whipped the ball crosscourt, causing 15 unforced errors. Along with his devastating forehand, Pearson popped his serve down the T at 115 mph six times. He slapped 5 more winners, and Donthamsetty knocked off 6 volleys en route to a 8-5 shellacking of Exeter.

Although Merle and the Pearson-Donthamsetty doubles tandem pulled off big victories, the rest of the Big Blue fell to an indefatigable Exeter Squad. Matt Dougherty '01, who usually runs his opponents ragged and then pounds them in with his Herculean power, came up short on his groundstrokes with 12 unforced errors. In the meantime, his opponent, a crafty international player from Columbia, pulverized 8 forehand winners, knocked off 5 volley winners, and served up 2 aces in a 6-3, 6-1 Exeter victory.

Pearson ran into the same problem in his 6-3, 6-1 loss to Exeter's #3. He served at a mere 45 percent on first serves and made 15 unforced errors. Dougherty remarked on Pearson's unfitting play when he said: "Shots aren't falling for us today. I don't know if it's the wind or the crevasses in the courts, but it's like playing on a mountain range." While Pearson came up short on consecutive shots, his opponent cranked 5 backhand winners down the line and served at a solid 75 percent on first serves.

After two Exeter wins in the 2nd and 3rd spots, the Big Blue drew upon Donthamsetty's tantalizing touch. Going with the downward spiral, the little wizard played out of character and came up short in a 6-4, 6-1 loss to Exeter's #4 (a nationally-ranked indoor player). In the match, the Exeter player slapped 15 winners, chased down every ball, and controlled the net. Pearson remarked on Exeter's impressive netplay when he uttered: "These guys are all over the net, knocking off drop volleys and winners."

Coming off this 6-1 defeat to Exeter, the Big Blue will face off against Middlesex on Friday. Energized and ready to fight, the Big Blue will hopefully slaughter the competition en route to interschols.

5/3/00

K. O'Connor/*The Phillipian*

Tennis captain Drew Merle '00 returns a shot in the only singles win the Blue could muster against Exeter on Saturday.

Captain Merle and Donthamsetty Are Sorely Missed by Boys Tennis

By Eric Newman
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Moses-Brown	**4**
Andover	**3**

BOYS TENNIS

Letting out a huge roar and throwing a fist pump, Adam Sklar '00 squeaked out a Big Blue win as Andover fell to Moses Brown 4-3 in a five-hour dogfight on Wednesday. Despite being hindered by the absences of captain and top-ranked Andrew Merle '00 and Ramesh Donthamsetty '01, the Big Blue put up a fight against a strong Moses Brown squad. The dogfight between Andover's Sklar and Moses Brown's #4 was the a bright spot for the Big Blue. In a three-hour marathon match, Sklar edged out a 7-5, 6-4 victory. Both Sklar and Moses Brown's #4 ground it out from the baseline. As Sklar whipped the ball crosscourt for 12 winners, Moses Brown's #4 battled back with 10 big forehands winners of his own. After the first few games, the match was at a standstill — Sklar needed to serve big. As Sklar's serve skyrocketed to 105mph, he pounded out five aces. While his serve packed punch and remained at a solid 80% on first serves, Sklar changed his tactics and charged the net. As he straddled the net, Sklar soared through the air, smacking down six overhead winners. In spite of Sklar's strong play, however, his opponent slapped two consecutive inside-out forehand winners. John Pearson '01 captured the nature of Sklar's opponent's formidable forehand when he said: "That guy is pulverizing the ball. He's slapping winners all over the place." As the crowd filtered in and banged on the bleachers, Sklar picked up his play. Energized by his Big Blue teammates, Sklar attacked his opponent's backhand, drew the short ball, and smacked a winner into the backhand corner. While conversing on the grandstand with teammate Mathew Dougherty '01, Charlie Gardner '00 commented on Sklar's fine play: "Sklar's forehand is making Moses part the sea and leading Andover to victory." As the Big Blue mixed up its game with the chipin' 'n chargin,' Sklar watched two crosscourt forehands rip by his outstretched arms to bring it to 5-4 in the second set. With the wind shooting salty air in his face and a throng of Moses Brownians heckling him from the sideline, Sklar unleashed a 110mph ace down the T to close out a 7-5, 6-4 victory.

Although Sklar pulled off a Big Blue victory, Moses Brown conquered the Andover's top three players. Because of Merle's injury, Dougherty took to the lawn with hopes of beating Ben Bryer, Moses Brown's #1 player and ranked second in New England. Filling some big shoes, Dougherty stepped up his game and cranked forehand winners. As Dougherty's groundgame clicked, his serve popped for six aces. Although Dougherty played well, serving at 85% on first serves, Bryer was just too strong, smashing 25 winners from the baseline. Pearson captured the intensity and power of the two heavyweights in this match when he hollered: "These boys are crushing the ball—it's winners galore." With those words in mind, Bryer punished Dougherty with consecutive backhand winners down the line and punctuated the first set with a 115mph ace. After a 6-0 defeat in the first set, Dougherty came out firing, unleashing a forehand winner into the backhand corner. While Dougherty slapped eight forehand winners down the line, Bryer battled back with six winners of his own. Along with his devastating forehand, Bryer sliced two aces out wide and smacked six more aces down the middle. As he aced Dougherty on his serve and dictated the points from the baseline, Bryer charged the net and knocked off six volleys en route to a 6-0, 6-4 win.

Although Dougherty, Pearson, and Gardner fell short, the rest of the Big Blue won handedly. The bottom three of the Big Blue ran their opponents ragged for 35 winners. While the #4, #5, and #6 players of the Big Blue waltzed their way victory, Moses Brown's big three proved to strong.

With the return of captain Merle and Donthamsetty, the Big Blue will be motivated and ready to tear apart the competition at Interschols. Coming off a 4-3 defeat to Moses Brown, the Big Blue is thirsty for victory. Tennis anyone?

5/10/00

SPORT: Tennis -Girls

YEAR: 1999-2000

CAPTAIN: Camilla Hrdy
HOME ADDRESS:

MANAGER:
HOME ADDRESS:

COACH: Leon Holley
ASSISTANT COACHES:

SEASON RECORD

WON 2 LOST 7 TIED 0

LETTER WINNERS

Hrdy, Camilla
O'Brien, Emily
Padula, Amy
Ritchie, Frances
Smith, Sarah
Tsai, Migina

GIRLS' TENNIS

			PA	OPP
Wed. Apr. 5, 2000	(H)	Middlesex	lost	
Wed. Apr. 12, 2000	(A)	Tabor	Lost	
Wed. Apr. 19, 2000	(H)	St. Paul's	Rained Out	
Sat. Apr. 22, 2000	(H)	Choate	Rained Out	
Fri. Apr. 28, 2000	(A)	Milton	1	11
Sat. Apr. 29, 2000	(H)	Exeter	Lost	
Fri. May 5, 2000	(A)	Newton Country Day	6	0
Sat. May 6, 2000	(H)	N.M.H.	8	6
Wed. MAy 10, 2000	(H)	Milton	Rained OUt	
Sat. May 13, 2000	(A)	Loomis-Chaffee	Lost	
Wed. May 17, 2000	(H)	Noble & Greenough	1	many
Sat. MAy 20, 2000	(A)	Thayer	2	13
Wed. May 24, 2000	(A)	Exeter	Rained Out	
Sat. May 27, 2000	(A)	NEPSAC	5th of 16	

Girls Tennis Takes Two Victories Led by Captain Hrdy and Doubles

by Sarah Smith
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	**6**
Newton Country Day	**0**
Andover	**8**
NMH	**5**

Last Friday, the Girls' Varsity Tennis Team traveled to Newton Country Day to play fours singles matched and two doubles matches, which was a new format for the Andover players.

Playing in the Number One slot was the team's captain, Sasha Hrdy '00, who had an easy match against her opponent. She demonstrated her powerful, steady groundstrokes and remained poised throughout the entire match, winning both sets: 6-1, 6-2.

Emily O'Brien '03 played as the Number Two singles player for Andover. After a few disagreements as to the score and questionable line calls, the match became fairly emotionally intense. O'Brien, however, did not let any frustration show as she remained tough and determined. She also triumphed, finishing up her match 6-3, 6-2.

Sarah Smith '02 won: 6-2, 6-1.

In the Number Four slot of the ladder, Frannie Ritchie '01 played a strong match against her Newton challenger. She, once again, displayed a remarkably high level of consistency and poise on the court, defeating her opponent in the first set 6-3. Ritchie continued to use this energy later in the match, sweeping the second set 6-0.

In the interest of finishing the doubles matches before it got dark, Coach Leon Holley and the coach of Newton Country Day had the doubles team play an ten-game pro-set instead of the usual two-set, no-ads format.

This change in format favored the Number One doubles team for Andover, Sasha Hrdy and Frannie Ritchie. Obviously having the upper hand in consistency, power, and compatibility as a doubles team, Hrdy and Ritchie both served extraordinarily well and clearly dominated the match. They took another win for Andover, winning 10-5.

In the Number Two doubles slot were Migina Tsai '00 of Nashua, New Hampshire, and Amy Padula '02. As a new doubles pair, Tsai and Padula got off to a slow start in the match, although they were obviously stronger players than their challengers. Later in the match, however, Tsai and Padula upped their level of play and teamwork to gain the lead and eventually win the match 10-8.

5/5/00
5/6/00

The next day, the Girls' Tennis team was scheduled to face off against NMH. Although the sky appeared ominous, NMH decided to make the trip to Andover in hopes that it would not rain during play. In spite of several interruptions due to the rain, all of the six singles matches (played in a two-set, no-ads format) and both doubles matches (played in an eight-game pro-set format) were played and finished.

Once again, team captain, Sasha Hrdy played in the Number One slot, facing NMH's top seed. Although Hrdy stepped up to the challenge of NMH's Number One player, she was outmatched. However, Hrdy impressed her team with her ability to play well against extremely powerful hitters, and put up a good fight throughout the entire match. Despite her efforts, Hrdy was unable to capitalize, losing both sets 2-6, 3-6.

Again, Emily O'Brien played in the Number Two slot for Andover. She had a fairly effortless match against her NMH opponent, evidently dominating the score from the start with forceful groundstrokes and serves. She took the match, winning both sets 6-3, 6-0.

Sarah Smith won: 6-2, 6-3.

Frannie Ritchie played as Andover's Number Four player against NMH. She faced a tough challenger, both equally consistent and powerful. Throughout seemingly endless rallies, Ritchie battled fiercely and remained focused. After taking the first set to a tie-breaker and fatiguing slightly in the second set, Ritchie lost both sets 6-7, 2-6.

Amy Padula took another win for Andover as she played in the Number Five slot. She once again impressed her team and onlookers with her deep groundstrokes and level of composure. She toughed out the grueling first set to win 7-5 and used this momentum to excel into the second set, taking it effortlessly 6-0.

A. Tucker/*The Phillipian*

Captain Sasha Hrdy '00 proved to be the deciding factor in her team's triumphs last week. Here she lunges for a backhand groundstroke.

Back playing singles, Migina Tsai played in the Number Six position on the ladder. Tsai played a strong first set against her NMH opponent, displaying a steady net game and agility on the court despite her injured ankle, taking the set 6-4. However, her challenger came back in the second set, overwhelming Tsai with her newly found second wind. Tsai lost the second set 2-6.

The doubles teams returned to their normal eight-game pro-set format in hopes to finish the competition before an anticipated downpour.

Sasha Hrdy and Migina Tsai played as Andover's Number One doubles team. The score was even throughout most of the match, both teams equally talented and compatible. However, NMH took a crucial game nearing the end of the eight-game pro-set, enabling them to win the match 6-8.

As the Number Two doubles team for Andover, Sarah Smith and Emily O'Brien were once again paired up. Exhibiting their strong teamwork and power, the young doubles team won their match, securing the overall win for Andover, 8-5.

Girls Tennis Battles Wind, Tabor In Claiming First Win of Season

by Sidhartha Haldea
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	**14**
Tabor	**3**

The Phillips Academy Girls Tennis team breezed through its first win of the season against Tabor Academy this past Wednesday. Led by captain Sasha Hrdy '00, the girls dismissed a vicious Tabor crew to level out to a 1-1 record. All the girls competed fiercely, combining for a 14-3 annihilation of Tabor, avenging their season-opening loss to Middlesex.

The wind was brisk at seaside Tabor but it did not seem to hinder the girls. The team won 5 out of 6 singles matches and 2 out of 3 doubles matches.

The breathtaking comeback of Sarah Smith '02 and Emily O'Brien '03 in their doubles match exemplified the nerve shown by the squad. They faltered in the beginning, falling down love-4 and coming in danger of losing their first set. But then both girls stepped up and rallied back to 6-5. Both their games rose to the Tabor challenge when they were about to go down a set. Said Smith, "in the second set we both had great net and service games." Apparently their opponents began to suffer from a lack of cooperation at that point because of a skill mismatch. Losing control, one of the Tabor players slammed her racket in disgust several times, a clear indication that the improved play of Smith and O'Brien was having an effect.

"Our team is very young as a whole, but I think we are developing into a great team," said Courtney Gimbel '02. Rookie O'Brien made her appearance on the team as 3rd seed. She, along with lowers Gimbel and Smith, both recently moved up from Varsity B, is providing hope and promise for the years.

Captain Sasha Hrdy '00 played a grueling and focused match Tabor's top seed. Although she did not win, "Sasha played very consistently and maintained her focus throughout the game," commented teammate Smith. Hrdy and Wendy Huang '01 fought valiantly and salvaged a split in their doubles match.

Smith, Frances Ritchie '01, Amy Kalas '01, Huang '01, and O'Brien all won their singles matches in straight sets. Migina Tsai '00 with Gimbel and Smith with O'Brien also won the doubles matches in straight sets.

The squad suffered the loss of several key seniors last year, but, as Wednesday demonstrated, their absence has not been severely felt on the courts. Indeed, the win is a premonition of greatness to come. The team has great depth and enough talent to keep the Big Blue in shape for several more years. "Hopefully we can use this win to catalyze our season," commented Coach Leon Holley.

A. Bowen/ *The Phillipian*

Alexandra Hrdy '00 starts off the season strong for girls tennis as she fields a backhand.

4/12/00

A. Tucker/*The Phillipian*

Girls Tennis

Girls Tennis won twice this week, sweeping all matches against Newton Country Day Friday and edging out NMH with wins in the singles matches Saturday. *-pg. 10*

GIRLS TENNIS FALLS BEFORE NOBLES SQUAD

O'BRIEN NETS ONLY POINT

Despite Poor Record, Girls Feel Ready For Exeter

By Sarah Smith
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Nobles	**7**
Andover	**1**

Last Wednesday, the Girls' Varsity Tennis Team played a home match against Nobles. After forecasts of rain, the weather turned out to be pleasant. Coach Holley had the teams play a two-set, no-ads format.

Playing in the Number One slot was the team's captain, Sasha Hrdy '00, who had a tough match against her equally talented opponent. Throughout both sets, the score remained even. However, Hrdy, was not able to capitalize; she lost both sets: 4-6, 4-6.

Emily O'Brien '03 played as the Number Two singles player for Andover. From the beginning, O'Brien played intensely and with focus while facing an older, more experienced player. She took the first set to a tie-breaker but fell just short of taking the set. In the second set, however, O'Brien upper her level of play, winning the set and taking the only point for Andover. Her scores were 6-7 (5-7), 6-4.

Sarah Smith '02 played in the Number Three slot and lost in straight sets despite a highly competitive sec-

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ond set, 3-6, 5-7.

In the Number Four slot of the ladder, Frannie Ritchie '01 played a strong match against her Nobles challenger. She once again displayed a remarkably high level of consistency and poise on the court. However, she was clearly overpowered by the forceful serve and groundstrokes of her opponent. She lost in straight sets 2-6, 1-6.

As the Number Five player for Andover, Amy Padula displayed a steady net game and agility on the court despite her injured shoulder. The rallies were seemingly endless as Padula chased down almost everything. However, her quick feet were not enough to win her the match. She also lost in straight sets 2-6, 3-6.

Migina Tsai '00 of Nashua, New Hampshire, played in the Number Six slot for Andover. Although Tsai has been suffering from an injured ankle, she was extremely agile on the court, and ran down every ball relentlessly. Despite her efforts, she was unable to prevail, losing both sets to her Nobles challenger 3-6, 2-6.

5/17/00

Coach Holley and the Nobles coach decided to only play one match of doubles in the format of an eight-game pro-set. Andover's doubles team consisted of Frannie Ritchie and Amy Padula. As always, they worked well together. Padula occupied the backhand side of the court willfully and impressed onlookers with a frequent down-the-line backhand winner. Ritchie played more tentatively than Padula, but she once again remained consistent during play and encouraging during changeovers. However, Andover was once again outmatched. Ritchie and Padula were unable to achieve the win. They lost their eight-game pro-set 3-8.

Coming up this Saturday, the Girls Varsity Tennis Team is scheduled to travel to Thayer. And next Wednesday, the team faces off against their rival, Exeter. The team is looking forward to playing Exeter again, and plans to take the win this time around. Says Tsai, "I know I speak for the entire team when I say we are ready for Thayer, and we are even more ready for Exeter."

A. Tucker/*The Phillipian*

Girls tennis captain Sasha Hrdy '00 has led her team both in spirit and in performance all season long.

Skilled Nobles Squad Beats Girls Tennis Wednesday 7-1

SPORT: TRACK - BOYS

YEAR: 1999-2000

CAPTAIN: Sean Scott
HOME ADDRESS:

MANAGER:
HOME ADDRESS:

COACH: Richard Collins
ASSISTANT COACHES:

SEASON RECORD

WON 6 LOST 0 TIED 0

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LETTER WINNERS

Acheampong, Kwadwo
Auld, David
Bass, Derrick
Bitz, Anthony
Bradshaw, Julius
Burke, Sterlind
Busby, John
Chiu, Peter
deVos, Aaron
Felch, Dean
Fuhrman, Weston
Gerber, John B.
Grant, Michael
Harris, Jordan
Hogan, Benjamin
Huang, Melvin
Jones, Jarreau
Lazarus, Eli
Lemire, JOseph
Maqubela, Sikanyiselwe
McArdle, Lucas
McDonald, Bronson
McKinnon, Andrew
O'Donoghue, Geoffrey
Paolino, Davis
Preman, Kyle
Rodriguez, Joshua
Schoene, Adam
Scott, Sean
Sykes, Emerson
Thompson, David
Winston, Brandon

BOYS' TRACK & FIELD

			PA	OPP
Sat. Apr. 15, 2000	(A)	Deerfield/Taft	88	46 Taft 46 Deer.
Wed. Apr. 26, 2000	(H)	Tewksbury/Chelmsford	Rained Out	
Sat. Apr. 29, 2000	(H)	N.M.H.	102	43
Sat. May 6, 2000	(H)	Andover High School	102	42
Wed. May 10, 2000	(H)	Cushing/Reading	Rained Out	
Sat. May 13, 2000	(A)	Loomis-Chaffee	98	47
Sat. May 20, 2000	(A)	INterschols @ Deerfield	2nd place	
Sat. May 27, 2000	(H)	Exeter	85	60

Shorthanded Track Teams Pound Deerfield, Taft in Season's First Meet

4/15/00

by K. Acheampong and T. Bitz
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITERS

Andover Boys	88
Taft	46
Deerfield	46

Andover Girls	98
Taft	56
Deerfield	25

Last Saturday Phillips Academy Track teams took the two-hour hike up to Deerfield to race in their first competition of the season in a tri-meet against Taft and Deerfield. The teams went into the meet under newly appointed and nationally-renowned head coach Dick Collins '49, who, with his knowledge and years of success at Andover High, has strengthened both teams' chances for Interscholastic Championships.

The competition could not have come at a worse time, landing on a long weekend, and both teams were heavily undermanned. With boys captain Sean Scott '00 and other senior members of the squad away visiting colleges, the squad could only hope to handle two teams which normally wouldn't be able to put up any kind of fight against the Andover track program.

Fortunately, the girls team was in slightly better shape, and disaster was not the case as PA quickly overwhelmed its opponents. The girls team racked up a total of 98 points, leaving Taft with 56 and Deerfield with 25. Girls captain Momo Akade '00, leading the team for the second consecutive year, proved too much for the rival schools as she won the 100m and 200m events. New upper Alexandra Zukerman '01 revealed that she can move as fast on the track as she can on the soccer field when she dominated the 110m hurdles, which seemed not to slow her down at all, with a time of 15.9 seconds, despite an ankle injury. Distance phenomenon Melissa Donais '02 did not waste any time adding to her list of school records, breaking the 2:20.9 800m record by a tenth of a second. Also winning were the girls' 4x100m and 4x400m relay teams, both by large margins.

The girls did equally well in the field, taking first place in nearly all events. Julia O'Hearn '01 continued her stellar performance right where she left off last year, taking first place in both the shot put (37' 6") and discus (122' 2") events. Sydney Hartsock '01 won the javelin competition by only five feet over hungry second place finisher Christina Checkovich '02. New lower Jill Bramwell won the high jump with an amazing 4' 10", and Laura Miller placed first in the pole vault (7').

The boys got off to a shakey start and it looked at the beginning of the meet like the absence of sprinters Julius Bradshaw '00 and captain Scott were going to be crippling. As the meet progressed, however, the team recovered and finish with a final total of 88 points, easily besting both Deerfield and Taft, which tied at 46. The key to the squad's success was its overall depth, especially seen in the distance and field events, where the team gained an advantage by raking in valuable 2nd 3rd, and 4th place points while letting Deerfield and Taft split the first place points. This victory is a clear sign that the boys will be strong in their upcoming meets against Chelmsford, Tewksbury, and the NMH Hoggers.

In the long distance events, the team was quite successful, taking 24 out of a possible 33 points. In the 1500 meter race, Eli Lazarus '00 took second place (4:29.2) with Tony Bitz '02 coming in third (4:37.8). In the 800m the race was swept by underclassmen Michael Grant '03 (2:08), Geoffrey O'Donoghue '02 (2:10.9), Louis Menocal '03 (2:17.2), and Tony Bitz '02 (2:17.6). Then, to put icing on the cake, in the 3000m, Andover's only two runners in the event, Argilio Rodriguez '00 and Adam Schoene '00, finished first and second, respectively, in 9:52.8 and 10:07.8. The distance squad definitely took advantage of both Deerfield's and Taft's lack of depth in the longer races.

In the middle distance events, although captain Scott was absent, the squad still put up an impressive performance against two teams with relatively strong middle distance runners. In the 400m race Emerson Sykes '01 took second with a personal-best 52.7 that bodes well for future 4x400m relays, and in the 300m hurtles John Busby '00 took second place (43.2) with J.B. Gerber '00 coming in fourth (:45.1). In the 4x400m relay, the team of O'Donoghue, Grant '03, Ben Hogan '01, and Sykes easily took first place with a time of 3:45.4. In the captain's absence the middle distance squad did quite well for itself earning several critical points.

In the shorter distances the team faced two very deep squads, and had to do so in the absence of Bradshaw, a critical member of the squad. Nevertheless, the squad still had an impressive day. In the 200m and 100m races Bronson McDonald '02 pulled through with third and fourth place points respectively (24.3 and 11.8). In the 110m hurdles, Busby and Joe Lemire '01 took second (:16.5) and fourth (:16.8) respectively. The 4x100m relay team of Sykes, Alex Kehlenbeck '01, Melvin Huang '01, and McDonald was the only Andover squad which did not place, finishing third behind the speedy anchor legs of both Deerfield and Taft. The shorthanded sprinters fared well against two very strong squads.

Yet again this year, even in the season opener, the field events were a very strong area for the team, scoring many needed first place points. Sterlind Burke '00 had impressive showing with first places in both the shot (48' 2") and discus (134' 10). The boys swept the high jump by default, as neither Deerfield nor Taft dared to enter any jumper. In the triple jump, J.B. Jones '00 took first (41' 11.5") and Gerber snagged second (39' 10"). In the long jump, the event traditionally dominated by the jumping squad, Jones completed his hat trick with yet another first, going a half-inch over 21 feet. Last but not least Brandon Winston '02 vaulted ten feet earning him a second place in the pole vault, Deerfield's best event. Against both Deerfield and Taft, the field events were a major source of the Blue's points and its victory.

Looking at all the stats, Collins' squad looks to be strong, even in the absence of major point scorers, and will look to give its upcoming opponents a run for their money. The combination of depth, shown in Saturday's meet to be very important, and great top scoring athletes looks to be very successful and will push the team through Interschols and past Exeter.

Boys Track Heats Up for Big Red With Crushing Defeat of NMH Squad

4/29/00

by Tony Bitz and Alex Kehlenbeck
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITERS

Andover	102
NMH	48

BOYS TRACK

Look out, Exeter. You can keep your speedy middle-distance runners. You still won't catch us.

Last Saturday, under the first sunny skies they had seen in a week, the boys of the track team competed in their first home meet of the season against traditional track powerhouse Northfield Mount Herman and emerged vitoriously, winning 102-48.

The team was coming off a short-handed, opening win against relatively slow Deerfield and Taft teams the previous week, and were looking forward to what would be the first serious meet of the season and an early test of what the competition at Interschols would be like. Unfortunately, the boys didn't get the high level of racing that they had been hoping to see from NMH and ran away with the meet. Either that, or Andover is simply unstoppable.

The opening race of the day, the 4x100-meter relay, gave an indication of things to come. The team of veterans – Emerson Sykes '01, captain Sean Scott '00, new lower hopeful Bronson McDonald, and postgraduate sensation Julius Bradshaw – blew NMH away after only two days of practice as they turned in an unbelievable early season time of 44.1 seconds, just 0.05 seconds off the 44.05 time that last year's squad ran to win Interschols. The team is confident that they can shave a bit of their time and get under 44.0.

"Our handoffs could have been a little better," commented first-leg Sykes. "We'll get our time down."

The boys swept throught the rest of the meet in a similar fashion. Wes Furhman '01 and Argilio Rodriguez '00 led the distance squad to a one-two finish in the 1500-meters, grabbing eight early points. Sweeps in the 100-meters (Bradshaw, McDonald, Melvin Huang '01) and 800-meters (Michael Grant '03, Geoff O'Donoghue '02, Rodriguez) cornerstoned the PA triumph. Grant added the 800-meter Junior-class record to his indoor 600-yard record with his time of 2:04.3. The team had been fearing a gap in the middle distances after the graduation of Interscholastic champion Colin Dineen '99, but Grant has stepped up both indoors and outdoors.

John Busby '00, who nearly won the 300-meter hurdles at Interschols last year before he was tripped up going over the final hurdle, won both the 110-meter high hurdles and the 300-meter intermediate hurdles. Rookie runner Joe Lemire '01, who has been hurdling for just a few weeks, placed third in both events, promising to be a welcome addition to the hurdling program this year and next.

Cross-country veteran Eli Lazarus '00 and Furhman came back in the 3000-meter, grabbing second and third, to pave the way for the closing race of the day, the 4x400-meter relay. Andover entered three teams, two of which beat NMH's first team in a fitting close the meet.

Meanwhile, the field events, taking place concurrently, were raking in just as many points as the running events. J.B. Jones led in the jumps, winning the high-, long-, and triple-jumps, excelling particularly in the

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Eli Lazarus '00 (right) and Wes Furhman '01 lead the pack at the start of the 3000-meter race, helping the boys to a 102-48 win over NMH.

BOYS TRACK TEAM DOUBLES UP NMH IN HOME OPENER

BOYS RUN AWAY 102-48

Traditional Powerhouse No Match For Boys In Blue

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long- and triple-jumps. As with the middle-distance squad fearing the loss of Dineen, the jumpers were fearing the loss of Connell Cloyde '99, who went over 46 feet in the triple and 21 feet in the long jump last year at Interschols. Jones has allayed these fears, however, and together with veteran Kyle Preman '00 looks to lead the team to big points in the jumps at Interschols.

Sterlind Burke '00 won both the shot-put and the discus, followed closely by Aaron deVos '01, who hopes to bring in much-needed points a few weeks hence against Exeter's squad, which dominated the shot-put indoors.

The boys, now 3-0 after two meets, have thus far seen no serious threat to a championship three-peat. The strongest opposition will likely come from Exeter, which was the only team to beat the boys indoors, but which has lost several sprinters to lacrosse. Unfortunately, the meet against Exeter comes after Interschols, and so the boys will enter the championship with little idea of what they will be facing.

The team knows one thing, however: No one can stand in the way of a third championship without expecting to be run over.

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John Busby '00 clears the second flight of hurdles in the 300-meter race, which he went on to win as the boys crushed NMH Saturday.

Boys Track Runs All Over Local Rival Andover High, Continues on Undefeated

by Tony Bitz
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

5/10/00

Andover	102
Andoer High	42

BOYS TRACK

Three down, three to go. On Saturday yet another team, the AHS Golden Warriors, fell under the wave of the Big Blue. It was a beautiful day (for at least the first thirty minutes), and yet again the blue turned to their great depth. Although AHS had several very talented runners in various events, the Blue had many strong performances, stealing second and third places. This impressive combination lead to a domination of points with the Blue conceding only three first places to the Golden Warriors. With control over the points, the Blue won a decisive victory against AHS 102-42

To kick off the Boy's meet, the Blue won valuable points in the throwing and jumping events, dominating these events in competition. In the Shot, Sterlind Burke '00 threw for first (47'10.5") and John Ross-Harrington '00 taking third (41'4"). In the Disc, Burke continued his dominance in the heavy weight throwing events, taking first with a throw of 131'2", and Aaron deVos '01 took third with a 113'11". In the Javelin, Derrick Bass '02 had another stellar showing, grabbing first with a winning throw of 158'. The Blue, for the third meet in a row, sealed the jumps. In the High Jump Kwadwo Acheampong '02 took second with a jump of 5'6". In the long jump the Blue earned one of its two sweeps of the day with Luke McArdle '00 in first (21'2.75"), Jarrean Jones '00 in second (20'7"), and Kyle Preman '00 in third. In the triple Jump Jarrean Jones '00 jumped for first (44'1.25"), and Kyle Preman '00 placed third with a jump of 40'3".Finally in the Vault, Brandon Winston yet again asserted himself as a competitive vaulter with a height of 9'6".

In the running events, the team seemed strong as usual with an early win in the 4x100m team. The Speed Squad of Emerson Sykes '01, Sean Scott '00,Bronson McDonald '02, and Julius Bradshaw '00 set the track on fire with a combined 400 time of :44.9. After the 4x100m came the 1500m, and with that the 1500m debut of Michael Grant '03 and the unconquerable 1500m squad of Grant, Wes Fuhrman '01, and Eli Lazarus '00. The squad proved quite successful, sweeping the event with incredible times. Grant finished first with a time of 4:14.5 with Fuhrman on his heels with a 4:16.5. Lazarus '00 rounded out the top three with a time of 4:25. With times like these the Blue definitely looked prepared to give any team a run for its money at intershols. Following the 1500m was the 110m high hurdles in which John Busby '00 continued his precedence in the event by placing second with a time of: 15.7. In the 400m the Blue earned yet another sweep Emerson Sykes '01 in first (53.9), Sean Scott '00 in second (54.3), and Jordan Harris '02 in third with a time of 54.5.

Luke McArdle '00 soars to a victory at the long jump pit in Saturday's track meet.

In the 100m that followed, Julius Bradshaw '00 continued his reign of dominance in the short sprints taking first yet again with a time of :11.3. Rounding out the top three was Bronson McDonald '02 with a time of :11.6. Following the 100m was the underclassman 800m duo of Geoff O'Doneghue '02 and Michael Grant '03. As if he didn't go fast enough in the 1500, Grant blazed the track for two laps taking first in the 800m with a time of 2:03.6 followed by O'Doneghue with a second place time

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Emerson Sykes '01 gets on his horse and burns the competition in the 4x100 relay. Sykes also took first in the 400m open and 4x400m relay.

BOYS TRACK WINS RESPECT FROM ANDOVER HIGH

SEASON RECORD 4-0

Points Come From All Events, Boding Well For Interschols

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of 2:06.4.

In the 300m hurtles, John Busby '00 continued to show his ability in the hurtles, taking first with a time of :41 with J.B. Gerber '00 taking third at :43.3 In the 200m, Bronson McDonald '02 finished first with a time of 23.4. Argilio Rodriguez '00 ran an excellent 3000m, taking first with a time of 9:19 and making himself a very serious contender in the 3000m at interschols. Finally the 4x400m team showed another strong performance taking first with a time of 3:44.5

With Saturday's victory, the Blue further certified that its interscholastic title would not be easily taken away. The continuing outstanding performances of all the top runners , jumpers , and throwers on the team are a statistic to be reckoned with. Although Wednesday's meet was rained out, Loomis best prepare itself. The cancelled meet will only spur the Blue to assert itself in the few meets it has left.

BOYS TRACK SETS HIGH SIGHTS ON INTERSCHOLASTICS

Loomis-Chaffe No More Than a Bump in the Road

By Alex Kehlenbeck
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS EDITOR

Andover	**98**
Loomis-Chaffee	**47**

BOYS TRACK

Loomis-Chaffe. Picturesque campus? Powerhouse lacrosse team? Or just another victim of the Andover Boys Track team?

The boys continued their undefeated season last Saturday, moving to 5-0 after more than doubling Loomis, 98-47. Despite gray skies, a slow cinder track, and a late arrival that left little time to work the kinks out of legs stiffened by the long bus ride, the squad ran, threw, and jumped as well as ever, scrapping points in every event. This meet served primarily as the last fine-tuning opportunity before Interchols, which take place at Deerfield tomorrow. Relay teams sharpened their handoffs under race conditions, and jumpers finalized their steps. As far as Loomis could tell, however, the boys had come for just one reason – to win.

The sprint relay team of Luke McArdle '00, captain Sean Scott '00, Bronson McDonald '02 and Julius Bradshaw '00 led off the running events with a win in 45.6 seconds, a slow time that reflected the poor running surface of Loomis' cinder track. Andover's second team, while not scored, did win bragging rights by beating the first team from Loomis by several meters.

The boys placed at least two runners in the top three of every other event, including a sweep in the 110-meter hurdles by John Busby '00, Joe Lemire '01, and J.B. Gerber '00. Bradshaw and McDonald came back 1-2 and 2-1 in the 100m and 200m dashes, respectively. Jordan Harris '02 and Ben Hogan '01 went 2-3 in the 400m, Junior-record holder Mike Grant '03 and Geoff O'Donoghue '02 were 1-2 in the 800m, Wes Furhman '01 and Eli Lazarus '00 1-2 in the 1500m, Adam Schoene '00 and Tony Bitz '02 closed out the 3000m by grabbing first and second, and Gerber and Busby came back 2-3 in the 300m hurdles.

Sterlind Burke '00 led the field events with a first-place finish in the discus (136' 4") and second in the shot put (48' 8"). Other winners included Derek Bass '02 in the javelin, and J.B. Jones '00 in both the long jump and triple jump.

Tomorrow at the Interscholastic Championships, the boys will face tough competition from Choate, favored to win, and Exeter, which has a middle-distance squad anchored by four runners who won the national indoor 4x800m relay this winter. Andover hopes that Choate and Exeter will split the top places, leaving PA room to sneak second-, third-, and fourth-place points. The meet will be close, but the boys are confident that they can step up and perform to the level that has won them the Championship for the past two years.

5/13/00

SPORT: TRACK & FIELD -GIRLS

YEAR: 1999-2000

CAPTAIN: Aimionoizomo Akade
HOME ADDRESS:

MANAGER:
HOME ADDRESS:

COACH: Richard Collins
ASSISTANT COACHES:

SEASON RECORD

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Bramwell, Jill
Brislin, Darcy
Checovich, Christina
Dlesk, Katherine
Donais, Melissa
Dundas, Deysia
Funsten, Allegra
Greene, Lucy
Hartstock, Sydney
Isoh, Cynthia
Krause, Caitlin
Marshall, Eleanor
Mason, Katherine
Miller, Laura
O'Hern, Erin
Orzell, Susannah
Rowe, Kerri-Anne
Scanlon, Janis
Simmons, Desirae
Wheadon, Kristin
Zukerman, Alexander
O'Hern, Julia

GIRLS' TRACK & FIELD

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Sat. APr. 15, 2000	(A)	Deerfield/Taft	98	56 Taf
				25 Dee
Wed. Apr. 26, 2000	(H)	Chelmsford	Rained Out	
Sat. Apr. 29, 2000	(H)	N.M.H./Milton/SPS	120.5	56 NMH
				70 Mil
				155 SPS
SAt. May 6, 2000	(H)	Andover High School	89	56
Wed. May 10, 2000	(H)	Cushing/Reading	Rained Out	
Sat. May 13, 2000	(A)	Loomis-Chaffee	81	64
SAt. May 20, 2000	(A)	Interschols @ Deerfield	1st place	
Sat. May 27, 2000	(H)	Exeter	84	61

Shorthanded Track Teams Pound Deerfield, Taft in Season's First Meet

4/15/00

by K. Acheampong and T. Bitz
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITERS

Andover Boys	88
Taft	46
Deerfield	46

Andover Girls	98
Taft	56
Deerfield	25

TRACK

Last Saturday Phillips Academy Track teams took the two-hour hike up to Deerfield to race in their first competition of the season in a tri-meet against Taft and Deerfield. The teams went into the meet under newly appointed and nationally-renowned head coach Dick Collins '49, who, with his knowledge and years of success at Andover High, has strengthened both teams' chances for Interscholastic Championships.

The competition could not have come at a worse time, landing on a long weekend, and both teams were heavily undermanned. With boys captain Sean Scott '00 and other senior members of the squad away visiting colleges, the squad could only hope to handle two teams which normally wouldn't be able to put up any kind of fight against the Andover track program.

Fortunately, the girls team was in slightly better shape, and disaster was not the case as PA quickly overwhelmed its opponents. The girls team racked up a total of 98 points, leaving Taft with 56 and Deerfield with 25. Girls captain Momo Akade '00, leading the team for the second consecutive year, proved too much for the rival schools as she won the 100m and 200m events. New upper Alexandra Zukerman '01 revealed that she can move as fast on the track as she can on the soccer field when she dominated the 110m hurdles, which seemed not to slow her down at all, with a time of 15.9 seconds, despite an ankle injury. Distance phenomenon Melissa Donais '02 did not waste any time adding to her list of school records, breaking the 2:20.9 800m record by a tenth of a second. Also winning were the girls' 4x100m and 4x400m relay teams, both by large margins.

The girls did equally well in the field, taking first place in nearly all events. Julia O'Hearn '01 continued her stellar performance right where she left off last year, taking first place in both the shot put (37' 6") and discus (122' 2") events. Sydney Hartsock '01 won the javelin competition by only five feet over hungry second place finisher Christina Checkovich '02. New lower Jill Bramwell won the high jump with an amazing 4' 10", and Laura Miller placed first in the pole vault (7').

The boys got off to a shakey start and it looked at the beginning of the meet like the absence of sprinters Julius Bradshaw '00 and captain Scott were going to be crippling. As the meet progressed, however, the team recovered and finish with a final total of 88 points, easily besting both Deerfield and Taft, which tied at 46. The key to the squad's success was its overall depth, especially seen in the distance and field events, where the team gained an advantage by raking in valuable 2nd 3rd, and 4th place points while letting Deerfield and Taft split the first place points. This victory is a clear sign that the boys will be strong in their upcoming meets against Chelmsford, Tewksbury, and the NMH Hoggers.

In the long distance events, the team was quite successful, taking 24 out of a possible 33 points. In the 1500 meter race, Eli Lazarus '00 took second place (4:29.2) with Tony Bitz '02 coming in third (4:37.8). In the 800m the race was swept by underclassmen Michael Grant '03 (2:08), Geoffrey O'Donoghue '02 (2:10.9), Louis Menocal '03 (2:17.2), and Tony Bitz '02 (2:17.6). Then, to put icing on the cake, in the 3000m, Andover's only two runners in the event, Argilio Rodriguez '00 and Adam Schoene '00, finished first and second, respectively, in 9:52.8 and 10:07.8. The distance squad definitely took advantage of both Deerfield's and Taft's lack of depth in the longer races.

In the middle distance events, although captain Scott was absent, the squad still put up an impressive performance against two teams with relatively strong middle distance runners. In the 400m race Emerson Sykes '01 took second with a personal-best 52.7 that bodes well for future 4x400m relays, and in the 300m hurtles John Busby '00 took second place (43.2) with J.B. Gerber '00 coming in fourth (:45.1). In the 4x400m relay, the team of O'Donoghue, Grant '03, Ben Hogan '01, and Sykes easily took first place with a time of 3:45.4. In the captain's absence the middle distance squad did quite well for itself earning several critical points.

In the shorter distances the team faced two very deep squads, and had to do so in the absence of Bradshaw, a critical member of the squad. Nevertheless, the squad still had an impressive day. In the 200m and 100m races Bronson McDonald '02 pulled through with third and fourth place points respectively (24.3 and 11.8). In the 110m hurdles, Busby and Joe Lemire '01 took second (:16.5) and fourth (:16.8) respectively. The 4x100m relay team of Sykes, Alex Kehlenbeck '01, Melvin Huang '01, and McDonald was the only Andover squad which did not place, finishing third behind the speedy anchor legs of both Deerfield and Taft. The shorthanded sprinters fared well against two very strong squads.

Yet again this year, even in the season opener, the field events were a very strong area for the team, scoring many needed first place points. Sterlind Burke '00 had impressive showing with first places in both the shot (48' 2") and discus (134' 10). The boys swept the high jump by default, as neither Deerfield nor Taft dared to enter any jumper. In the triple jump, J.B. Jones '00 took first (41' 11.5") and Gerber snagged second (39' 10"). In the long jump, the event traditionally dominated by the jumping squad, Jones completed his hat trick with yet another first, going a half-inch over 21 feet. Last but not least Brandon Winston '02 vaulted ten feet earning him a second place in the pole vault, Deerfield's best event. Against both Deerfield and Taft, the field events were a major source of the Blue's points and its victory.

Looking at all the stats, Collins' squad looks to be strong, even in the absence of major point scorers, and will look to give its upcoming opponents a run for their money. The combination of depth, shown in Saturday's meet to be very important, and great top scoring athletes looks to be very successful and will push the team through Interschols and past Exeter.

Girls Tracks Runs All Over Opponents in Home Opener

by Kwadwo Acheampong
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	120
NMH	70
Milton	56
St. Paul's	15

Last week's unpredictable mini-blizzard and torrential rains surrendered to the power of spring and gave way to a beautiful day last Saturday as Andover's finest female track-and-field athletes took to the starting blocks, sand pits, and throwing circles in their first home meet of the season. This was just Andover's second meet of the year, an unusually small number as the squad enters into the second half of the season. New England weather has dampened practices and canceled meets for the past two weeks. Many thought the girls would be unprepared.

Andover was more than ready. The team used the lay-off for intensive workouts in strength, speed, and endurance. Their hard training showed as the girls triumphed with the home crowd looking on. They defeated traditional powerhouse Northfield Mount Herman, Milton's small but strong squad, and the girls from St. Paul's, 120–70–56–15. The team encountered its best competition of the season from NMH. Captain Momo Akade '00 won the 200-meter dash with explosive speed but knows the true challenge lies in the 100-meter dash, finishing second to the defending New England champion from NMH. Alex Zukerman '01 continued where she last left of as she broke the PA record in the 110m hurdles. The girls 4x100m and 4x400m relay teams topped all contending schools with times of 51.1 and 413.6 respectively.

The girls performed exceptionally well in the field events showing great depth. Julia O'Hearn '01 continued her reign as queen of the shot put (34'4) and placed second in the discus (123'8). Younger sister, Erin O'Hearn '03, was not far behind as she finished fourth in the shot put and third in the discus. The team had Sidney Hartsock '01 and Christie Checkovich '02 finish third (94'8) and fifth (86'4) in the javelin. In the long jump, Alex Zukerman '01 took second (16'6) and Cynthia Isoh '00 took third (15'10). The girls showed that they could bound and leap farther than their cohorts when they swept the triple jump, led by Sidney Hartsock '01 (31'2), Janis Scanlon '03 (31'2 a-new junior record), and Kristin Wheadon '02 (30'8). Laura Miller '01 took second in the pole with personal best of eight feet.

Although the girls did place first in most of the events, they showed unbelievable tenacity, usually having two or three competitors finishing in the top five. In this way, they scored overall just as good as first place. Most of the athletes broke their personal best considerably, so we can expect the team to reach new horizons and higher pedestals.

4/29/00

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Lucy Greene '00 rounds the back curve onto the home stretch in the 4x400-meter relay that capped the girls' victorious quad-meet.

Athlete Of The Week

Alex Zukerman '01

"When you think about it, breaking a school record in your first race is pretty ridiculous." —Emerson Sykes '01

by Diana Dosik
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS ASSOCIATE

Alexandra Zukerman '01 is the Girls Track team's top sprinter in the 100-meter hurdles. Hurdling consistently under 16 seconds, she is tenths of a second from breaking the school's record of 15.7 seconds. When she attempted the 300-meter hurdles last Saturday for the very first time at the encouragement of Coach John Strudwick, Alex broke Nancy Abramson's 1989 record of 47.7 seconds by two-tenths of a second. A standout hurdler, an up-and-coming long jumper, and an integral part of the sprint relay, Alex is this week's athlete of the week.

Alex grew up in New York city with her two sisters, the younger one of whom graduated from Andover. Though that same sibling ran cross country here, Alex is the first in her family to run track. She began learning the hurdles in six grade, under the aegis of her Spence coach Ms. Higa. "She was my spring coach, and I learned a lot more than just track from her. She taught me every meticulous detail of my hurdling form, and all of my drills," Alex remembered. She still maintains contact with Ms. Higa, identifying her as the most influential person in her track career.

Although her sister loved Andover, Alex did not enter until this year. "I really loved my old school," she admitted. " I felt really comfortable there, but at the same time I felt like I was growing out of it." In addition to a change of scenery and an escape from city life, Alex sought boarding school for their higher quality sports as well. "My main reason for coming here was my realization that the athletics were just not up-to-par in New York." Disconcerted by the small size, the lack of competition and the lack of facilities in New York, Alexandra decided to apply to PA. "We didn't even have a track," she explained. Andover's facilities allow Alex to fully explore her track potential; although she had attempted the long jump before, Alex had never been able to train. Now she is making her mark in that field as well, placing second in last Saturday's meet.

Before attending PA, Alex pursued her track career at the Spence School in New York City, whose strong track program landed them in the top three of their league every year. In 1999, New York held its first State Cup in track. Though she modestly claims that there was little competition because of the newness of the program and the lack of public school participation, Alex finished first in the state in the 100-meter hurdles and the 100-meter dash. "The turnout really wasn't great," she asserted; "there's a lot more competition here."

A dedicated runner for the past five years, Alex has many fond memories of her days on the track. When she was in eighth grade, her team was competing in the track championships. The strength of the top two teams held them in a stalemate until the very last race, the 4x400-meter relay. Consistently behind in the first, second, and third legs, Alex's team began to lose hope. In the last leg of the race, however, the team's anchor began to gain ground, and as she neared the finish line, she pulled into first place. "That was probably the most exciting

In addition to running Varsity track, Alex was also a member of the Varsity Soccer and Varsity Basketball teams, both of which won the New England Championships this year. "We won New Englands in the fall, and then we won it again for basketball, and it looks like we have a really strong [track] team for Interschols this year...it would just be outrageous to go three seasons winning championships," Alex commented excitedly. No matter what the outcome of this season, however, she is very happy to be a part of the team: "The coaches are really cool...Dr. Strudwick has basically taught me everything I know about the 300-hurdles, and Mr. Collins is really funny." Mentioning also Melissa Donais '02, Caitlin Krause '01, Momo Akade '00, and Julia O'Hern '01 as stellar examples of track leaders, Alex is confident in the potential of her squad. "We have many amazing athletes, and we have won our last two meets by a lot," she said.

Unwilling to limit herself to sports, Alex is also fiction editor of *The Courant*, and is looking to begin an new all-school newspaper, exploring the issues of the various PA cultures through articles written in their respective languages. She hopes to pair up student editors from each language department with international students, who would oversee the linguistics of the articles. Because she is only an upper, Alex Zukerman has a whole other year of PA track after the 2000 season; although it would be difficult to match her accomplishments this year, she will certainly do her best.

Handles Andover High, Sets Sights on Interschols Extending Win Streak to Six, Girls Track Easily

by Kwadwo Acheampong
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	**89**
Andover High	**56**

GIRLS TRACK

The Phillips Academy's Girls Track team squared off against local town rival Andover High School this past weekend. Rain threatened the competition, but Phillips Academy was determined to prove its prowess. It was a chance for Coach Dick Collins to see the team he left behind last season. The team had to show him that he made the right choice in coming Phillips Academy.

The girl's team made yet another strong showing, winning 89 to 56. Captain Momo Akade '00 led the team to victory, demolishing the competition in the 100m(13.0) and the 200m(26.6) events. New sensation Alex Zukerman '01 was too powerful in the 100 and 300m hurdles, beating the nearest competitors in both races by almost two seconds. Veteran Deysia Dundas '00 motivated the team by running four races, taking a first place finish in the 400m event. Freshman Caroline Blaeser '03 proved to be a strong addition to the team , stealing the 1500m. Melissa Donais '02 snagged the 800m and even overlapped two Andover High

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UNBEATEN RELAY SQUADS CARRY GIRLS OVER AHS

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competitors en route to winning the 3000m event in her first time ever running it. The relay teams continued their undefeated season, taking first place in both 4x100m (50.8) and 4x400 (4.26.4) races.

In the field events, the girls proved to be too much for Andover High. Phenomenon Julia O'Hearn '01 shocked Andover High when she threw 124'7" in the discus; thirty feet farther than their best thrower. Sydney Hartsock continued her strong season, sealing the javelin competition (98'5"). Four-year veteran Cynthia Isoh '00 showed leg-strength, triple jumping farther than any of her cohorts (32'9"). Rounding off the victories was Laura Miller '01, who won the pole vaulting competition (7'6"). Winning the meet showed that the girls were unfazed by the bad weather conditions. They won convincingly and set the pace for the boys.

5/6/00

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Alex Zukerman '01 leads the competition in her school-record setting 100-meter hurdle race on Saturday. Zukerman has set both the 100-meter and 300-meter hurdle records this year.

LOOMIS-CHAFFEE PROVES ANOTHER VICTIM FOR GIRLS

NEXT STOP: INTERSCHOLS

Moving to 7-0 on Season, Girls Have Yet to Be Tested

By Alex Kehlenbeck
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	**81**
Loomis-Chaffee	**64**

5/13/00

The juggernaut that the Girls Track team has become over the past four weeks rolled on again last Saturday over Loomis-Chaffee. The 81-64 win showcased the closest any opponent has come to beating the girls this season, and improved their season record to 7-0. The meet was an important one, both because the girls showed that they are well-tuned for Interschols, which will be held at Deerfield tomorrow, and also because Loomis, which traditionally fields very strong teams, was one of the few remaining question marks in the league. Now that the girls have seen that Loomis presents no insurmountable challenge, the lane to the Intercholastic Championship is open.

The 4x100-meter relay team of Deysia Dundas '00, Katie Dlesk '03,

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Captain Akade Leads Girls Track Into Interscholastic Championship

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Indoor track captain Lucy Greene '00, shown here running a leg of the 4x400m relay, will be a vital member of the Interscholastic squad.

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Alex Zukerman '01 and captain Momo Akade '00 once again started the meet off with a bang, easily winning the race in 51.1 seconds, a remarkable time on Lommis' cinder track. Spikes don't grip nearly as well on cinder as they do on the rubber of newer tracks, which particularly hampers sprinters accelerating at the beginning of a race. Additionally, as the day wears on, deep divots build up on the track, especially in the first lane, where all the distance events are run, and it becomes dangerously easy to twist and ankle.

Carolyn Blaeser '03, who has developed into a wonderful distance runner this winter and spring, took the 1500m in 5:27.1, followed by Allegra Funsten '03 in third. Akade and Dlesk came back for both the 100m and 200m sprints, and grabbled big points, going one-three, respectively, in both races.

Caitlin Krause '01 joined Melissa Donais '02 in the 800m and provided the most interesting race at that distance of the entire season. Krause shadowed Donais, who has blown away all competitors foolish enough to face her this year, for 600 meters before fading slightly, but finished just three seconds after Donais' 2:20; they took the top two places.

Other points in the running events came from Zukerman's second-place finish to a superb Loomis runner in the 300-meter hurdles, her first loss of the season, and Kate Mason '00's 12:24 second place in the lonely 3000m.

The field events again came through for Big Blue, led by the sisters O'Hern, Julia '01 and Erin '03, who took first and third places in both the shot-put and the discus. J. O'Hern's hurl of 37' 10" in the shot was good enough to break the school record, which she has been steadily raising for several seasons. Sydney Hartsock '01 and Christina Checovich '02 took second and third in the javelin competition, while Kristen Wheaden '02 and Jill Bramwell '02 did the same in the high jump. Cynthia Isoh '00 won first and second in the long jump and the triple jump, respectively; while Laura Miller '02 scored three points in the pole vault, an event the girls have been weak in since the graduation of Interscholastic Champion Taliser Avery '98, by clearing 7'6".

Fine-tuning in practice this week, the girls will ride into Deerfield tomorrow well-rested and with their eyes on the Championship. Akade (100m, 200m, 4x100m), Zukerman (110m hurdles, 300m hurdle, 4x100m), Donais (800m, 4x400m), and O'Hern (shot, discus) all have chances at winning championships and grabbing the ten huge points a win is worth. The team has not finished out of the top three in the past decade, but still has a sour taste in its collective mouth after not winning either of the last two years, which were held at Andover.

Look for Big Blue fireworks at Deerfield tomorrow.

SPORT: VOLLEYBALL- BOYS

YEAR: 1999-2000

CAPTAIN: Eric Cho
HOME ADDRESS:

MANAGER: Kathryn Schellenberg, Nicole Salva, Cynthia Yee
HOME ADDRESS:

COACH: Clyfe Beckwith
ASSISTANT COACHES:

SEASON RECORD

WON 3 LOST 6 TIED 0

LETTER WINNERS

Araripe, Tasso	Raoult, Thibault
Chatterjee, Alok	Rotman, MAtthew
Cho, Eric	Schellenberg, Kathryn
Penley, Colin	So, Albert

BOYS' VOLLEYBALL

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Sat. Apr. 1, 2000	(A)	St. John's	3	1
Sat. Apr. 8, 2000	(A)	Central Cath (scrimmage)	2	0
Sat. Apr. 15, 2000	(A)	Choate	3	1
Wed. Apr. 19, 2000	(A)	Chelmsford	1	3
Sat. Apr. 29, 2000	(A)	N.M.H.	0	3
Wed. May 10, 2000	(H)	Central Catholic (scrimmage)	3	2
Sat. May 13, 2000	(H)	Choate	1	3
Sat. May 20, 2000	(H)	N.M.H.	0	3
Wed. May 24, 2000	(H)	Andover HS (JV) scrimmage	not reported	
Sat. May 27, 2000	(A)	Choate Tourney	3rd of 4	

VOLLEYBALL OUSTS LEAGUE RIVAL CHOATE

SERVERS KEY TO SUCCESS

Drops Scrimmage vs. Chelmsford, Record Now 3-1

by Colin Penley
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	3
Choate	1

Chelmsford	3
Andover	1

This week has been one of highs and lows for the volleyball team. They split their games and improved their record to 3-1 and 1-0 in league play.

On Saturday, the Phillips Academy Boys Volleyball team traveled to Choate Rosemary Hall to play its first league game of the season. The Big Blue won the game 3-1, and beat Choate for the first time in the short history of the Andover boys volleyball program. After a long bus ride, the team started out slowly and was slaughtered in less then one service rotation, 15-2. During the three minutes between the first and second games, Coach Clyfe Beckwith gave the team an inspiring speech and the boys in blue took the floor ready to play. The Andover players quickly found themselves looking at a 7-2 deficit. Matt Rotman '01 decided to take the problem in his own hands. He served ten straight points and changed Andover's position from being five points down to five points up. On its next service, the Blue advanced the score to 14-7. Choate still had some fight left, but nowhere near enough, and Andover took the game 15-10.

In game three Andover finished the game in less then one rotation. Needing

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only three servers, the Big Blue won 15-5.

In the fourth game, Andover played up to its potential as a team but had big problems with its service game. The squad didn't score a point in the first service rotation. When they found themselves down 14-10, the boys in Blue pulled together to play the best 8 points of their season so far, winning the final game 17-15. When asked about the game, Coach Clyfe Beckwith said, "I am very happy with the way that [the team] played in the last three games. That's the way volleyball was meant to be played." Rotman had a great day, playing behind the service line and covering the floor defensively. Colin Penley '01 and Albert So '01 had some incredible tips that left the Choate Boars on the floor stunned. Setters and Senior co-captains Alok Chatterjee and Eric Cho both controlled the offense very well and had a combined 27 assists and 6 digs. Thibault Raoult '01 played a good game at the net with many plays that confused the Choate players. Tasso Araripe '01 was a monster at the net, acting as a wall and forcing the Boars to play around him. Araripe amassed ten kills and created plays that left the other team scrambling to get the ball back over the net. But where the Andover players were strongest was in playing their own game and keeping the tempo of the game high. On the whole, Andover stuck to its game plan and kept the tempo of the game fast.

4/15/00

4/19/00

On Wednesday, the Chelmsford Boys Varsity Volleyball handed Andover its first loss of the season in a tough 3-1 match. Despite the fact that it was an informal scrimmage with no score kept and Coach Victor Svec officiating, Andover had hoped to keep its undefeated record intact.

The boys from Chelmsford came out strong and it took the home team a while to come together as a team. When Andover finally got its act together it was down 6+ points; the squad made a valiant effort but was not quite able to pull off the upset and Chelmsford took the first game.

Andover, however, fought back and took the second game. Chelmsford won a scrappy third game, and, with increased confidence, came out in the fourth game and hit the ball so hard that the Andover players were simply overpowered. They put up a fight but Chelmsford was simply out-playing the boys in Blue. Araripe had another strong showing, hitting nine kills. Jason Park '02 moved into fill the hole left by Cho, who couldn't make the game, and played a great game, both controlling the offense and gaining valuable experience.

In the wake of this loss, the team will spend time in the next week looking at some weak points in its game and, hopefully, will fix them before traveling to NMH one week from tomorrow for the second league match of the season.

Despite Stellar Play, Volleyball Spiked by Superpower NMH

by Colin Penley
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

NMH	**3**
Andover	**0**

Following classes on Saturday the Phillips Academy Boys Volleyball team traveled to Northfield Mount Hermon to take on the Hoggers Volleyball team. The final score of 3-0 did not accurately portray the game that took place in Forslund Gym. With the loss, Andover's record falls to 3-2, 1-1 in league games.

Contrary to the Choate game, the team came out strong in the first game, and, after a long seesawing game, the teams found themselves tied at 13. NMH was able to capitalize and win the next two points including the game. In the second game, again NMH was able to pull out the win in a long, hard fought game, 15-10. In the third game the Boys in Blue quickly found themselves down 2 games to 0 and 8 points to 1. They started to rally but it was too late and NMH was able to win the last game 15-8 and take the match 3-0.

Coach Clyfe Beckwith, in his post game speech said that he was very happy with the way the team had played. It was the best volleyball that the team had played all season. Every player had a great game statistically. Tasso Araripe '01 lead the team in kills with 8. Both middle blockers, Araripe and Thibault Raoult '01, blocked well, notching up five blocks each. Every other player who played in the front row also had a block. Each player on the team had a season high number of digs and, with 65 digs, the team almost doubled it season total of digs. Colin Penley '01 lead the team with 13 digs and Araripe, Albert So '01, and Matt Rotman '01 broke into to double digits. Rotman had yet another good day serving, leading the team with three aces. Senior co-captains Alok Chatterjee and Eric Cho lead the offense with a season high 32 kills. Cho also was second on the team in kills with seven, a personal best on the season. Overall, 16 personal best were broken and three more were tied. Coach Victor Svec said of the match, "Everything about the game was positive, except for the score. The score was the only negative thing." After a week and a half of hard work and reviewing of game film, the team looks forward to a two week home stand leading up to the Choate Tournament at the end of May. On Wednesday the team will face Central Catholic in Memorial Gym at 3:30. Then will face Choate and NMH the next two Saturdays and wrap up the regular season against local rival, Andover High JV, on Wednesday the 24th of May.

4/29/00

VOLLEYBALL WINS HOME OPENER IN FIVE GAMES

RECORD IMPROVES TO 4-2

Boys Beat Central Catholic for 2nd Time

by Colin Penley
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Andover	**3**
Central Catholic	**2**

On Wednesday afternoon, when many other teams were rained out, the Phillips Academy Boys Volleyball team played its first scheduled home match of the season. The managed to beat Central Catholic for the second time this season, and improved its over-all record to 4-2 (1-1 in league). In the first game the boys in Blue had some problems and, despite the strong four-point service of Colin Penley '01 to start the game, were unable to do much and quickly lost the first game 15-4. Jack McCallum '03 said of the game, "the team wasn't just awake." After talking with each other, and Coaches Clyfe Beckwith and Victor Svec, the boys went back on the court ready to win the next game. And win they did. In the 15-7 win, the team started to play very well. During the second game everyone served well, with each server wining at least one point on his serve. The team held the second-game momentum into the third game, winning it 15-10.

In the fourth game, Coach Beckwith gave some of the newer players a chance to get game time. Juniors McCallum and J.C. MacMillan played very well and showed a lot of potential in their first ever play in an Andover Boys volleyball game. Senior Kei Kushiro, upper Matt Cohen and lower Gabe Cuthbert came off the bench in the fourth game and also played well. Penley moved from his usual position of outside hitter and defensive player to a setter.

Despite the promising play of the newer players, the team was not able to beat the Central Catholic team and lost the fourth game 15-8. The fifth game was rally scoring, in which either team can win a point off any service, not only on its own service as in normal games. The score was close for the beginning of the game, and with the score tied at nine, Matt Rotman '01 got the ball behind the service line. He thought he heard his mother calling him home, so he decide to finish off the game then and there. He served six straight points to win the game 15-9, and the match 3-2.

With Captain Eric Cho '00 busy taking an AP exam, Jason Park '02 stepped in to fill his place. Tasso Araripe '01 and Thibault Raoult '01 were, as usual, powerhouses in the middle, both blocking and hitting well. Albert So '01 played a great game leading the team in kills, with 11. He also had 10 digs and two aces. Rotman and Penley both played well defensively and in their serving. This was the first game that the team really began to serve to its potential. The boys took advantage of the Central's weaker passing skills and earned a team total of 19 aces. If the team can play as well as it did for most of this match, it can beat anyone. Araripe commented, "we started off slow but then we really got going."

The team hopes to carry the momentum from Wednesday's game into tomorrow's match against league rival Choate Rosemary Hall. Since Choate beat NMH, the boys know that beating them again won't be easy but they feel that they are up to the challenge.

5/10/00

Volleyball Spiked By Choate In First Home League Match

By Colin Penley
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Choate	**3**
Andover	**1**

Last Saturday, Choate Rosemary Hall's boys varsity volleyball team journeyed up to Phillips Academy for Andover's first league home game of the season. Unfortunately, Andover could not manage to defeat the boys from Choate, ending the day with a 3-1 loss. Andover's play was marked by a several good points and a lot of tired play. With this loss, the team's record drops to 4-3 with a 1-2 league record.

Andover knew going into the match that it was going to be a tough one and that defeating Choate would not be nearly as easy as it had been three weeks before. Choate came out strong and took the first two games of the match 15-10, 15-11. Andover managed to pull things back under control in the third game, winning 15-9.

Things looked good for the boys in blue in the fourth game. They were up 5-2 and playing well, but something suddenly went wrong mentally and the team gave up several points to one of Choate's servers. The Blue allowed him to serve 10 straight points to change the score to 12-5. Although Andover won 7 out of the next 10 points, its effort wasn't enough. Choate pulled out the fourth game and the match, 15-12, 3-1.

Despite the loss, some of the Andover players played well individually. Matt Rotman '01 proved to be a consistent sever once again. Colin Penley '01 played defense with his usual enthusiasm and put the same energy into his hits. Tasso Araripe '01 played well and provided the team with powerful middle hits. Albert So '01 played very well all around the court, helping the team with many digs and many kills. Setters Eric Cho '00 and Alok Chatterjee '00 led the team's offense, both going into double digits in the assist category. Thibault Raoult '01 was a wall at the net, denying Choate 's balls consistently. With a little work and some line up tweaks this week, the team will be ready to take on NMH in an attempt to revenge its loss against the opponent in April.

5/13/00